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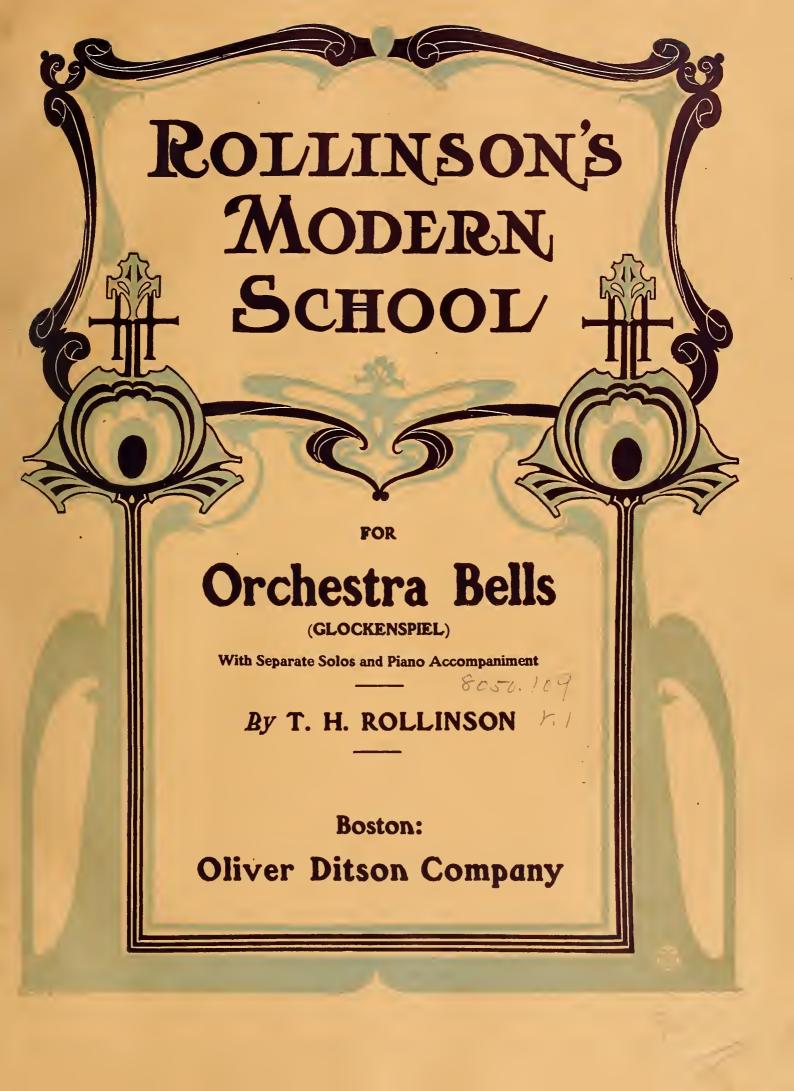
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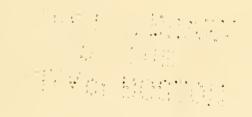
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## Preface.

Although similar in scale to the xylophone the orchestra bells are neither intended nor adapted for rapid execution. I believe that even the bass drummer should understand melodic forms and be able to play some melodic instrument. Otherwise he is playing blindfolded and is uneven in his stroke. In this work I have introduced technical study requiring considerable execution for I think it necessary in order that the student may acquire freedom and even power of stroke and become ambidextrous.

I have included many melodious studies intended to educate the player musically instead of mechanically for I believe that unless the drummer is a *musician* he is a failure. The brain should be disciplined as well as the hands.

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# RUDIMENTS OF MUSIC.

A Note is a character, which by its formation indicates the duration of a musical sound, and by its situation upon the staff, its proper pitch.

The Whole Note (o) is the longest note now in use.

The Half Note (a) has a stem added and has one half the value of a whole note.

The Quarter Note ( ) has one half the value of a half note.

The Eighth Note ( ) is the quarter note with a hook added and has one half its value.

The Sixteenth Note ( ) has two hooks, and has one half the value of an eighth note.

The Thirty-second Note ( ) has three hooks, and has one half the value of a sixteenth note.

The Sixty-fourth Note has four hooks, and has one half the value of a thirty-second note.

The stems may turn either up or down, and the hooks may turn to the right or left or be joined together

The unit of value in time is called a "beat" or "count", the value of the unit being determined by the tempo in which it occurs; thus a note might have the same number of beats or counts in a lively tempo yet not be sustained one half as long as one in a slow tempo.

The relative value of the notes always remains the same.

A Whole Note equals two Half Notes, or four Quarter Notes, or eight Eighth Notes, or sixteen Sixteenth Notes, or thirty-two Thirty-second Notes, or sixty-four Sixty-fourth Notes.

The value of the Whole Note is usually four "counts."

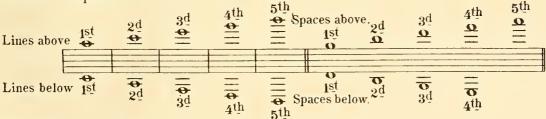
The Pitch of a note is determined by its position upon the staff.

A Staff consists of Five Lines and four spaces.

Staff with notes in spaces and on lines. 4th space 3th line 3th li

When these five lines and four spaces are insufficient the staff is enlarged by the addition of more lines called "Added Lines,"

Added Lines and Spaces Above and Below the Staff.



These several lines and spaces are called "Degrees."

Another character is still necessary to fully determine the pitch of a note.

This character is called a "Clef," and is placed at the beginning of a staff.

The line upon which a clef is placed takes the name of the clef, and the remaining degrees of the staff receive their names in alphabetical order.

The "G" clef, or "Treble" clef, is placed on the second line of the staff, thus:

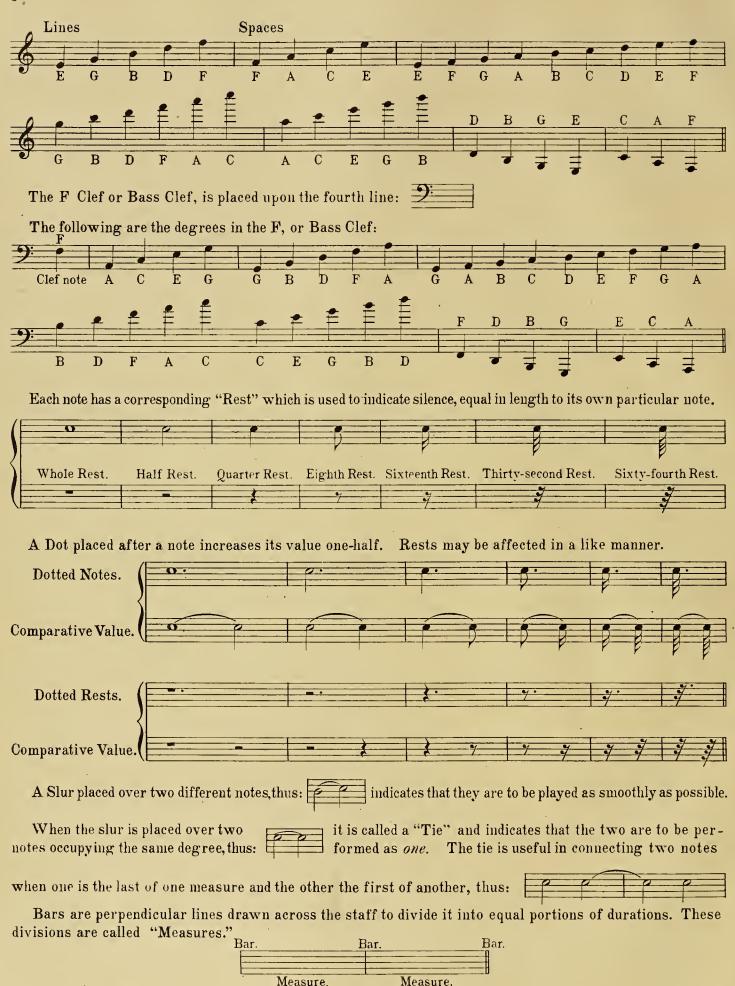
All musical sounds are capable of being noted, classified, and represented by the first seven letters of the alphabet A, B, C, D, E, F, G, - differently placed and arranged.

The second line in the treble clef is G: this is called the clef note. The next degree above would be A, and the next below, F.



This clue being given, it is a very simple matter to determine the names of any given degrees.

The following gives the names of the different degrees in the treble, or G clef.



The division which is here called a "Measure" is also sometimes termed a "Bar." The Double Bar indicates the end of a strain or composition.

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Dots placed on the left of a double bar denote that a part is to be repeated, usually from dots placed on the right of a bar, thus:



In the above example all but the first two notes are repeated.

Rests are not connected by ties, nor are they confined to any particular position upon the staff.

#### TIME.

The Time Mark, placed at the commencement of every composition, determines what shall be the contents of each measure. Of these there are several in use.

 $\frac{4}{4}$ - $\mathbb{C}$  or  $\mathbb{C}$  indicates Common Time, the value of a Whole Note in each measure.

Figures indicate fractional parts of a measure.

4 or C indicates four quarter notes, or their equivalent, counting one to each quarter note and four in a measure.

 $\frac{2}{2}$  or  $\mathbf{C}$  indicates the equivalent of two half notes, counting one to each half note and two in a measure.

 $\frac{3}{4}$ -Three quarter notes, counting one to each quarter note and three in a measure.

 $\frac{2}{4}$ -Two quarter notes, counting one to each quarter note and two in a measure.

Three eighth notes, counting one to each eighth note and three in a measure.

 $\frac{4}{8}$  - Four eighth notes, counting one to each eighth note and four in a measure.

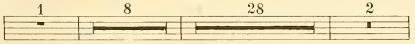
 $\frac{6}{8}$  - Six eighth notes, counting one to each eighth note and six in a measure.

Compound Times are those which include or exceed six parts in a measure, and contain two, or more, principal accents, as  $\frac{6}{8}$ ,  $\frac{9}{8}$ ,  $\frac{12}{8}$ ,  $\frac{6}{2}$ , etc.

 $\frac{6}{8}$ ,  $\frac{9}{8}$ , and  $\frac{12}{8}$ , denote respectively six, nine, and twelve eighth notes in a measure, counting one to each dotted quarter note, thus:



Sometimes rests are introduced giving a number of measures rest, but they are, however, better indicated by figures giving a number of measures, thus:



To show the end of a piece, the double bar is sometimes marked with a Pause (^) placed over it, thus: and sometimes with the word *Fine* placed over, under or after it, thus:

The Pause (A) when placed over a note or rest, prolongs it beyond its proper value.

A slur over three notes, with a figure 3 indicates that those three notes must be played in the time of two.

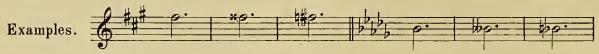
Sometimes the figure 3 is placed over the three notes without the slur, thus: the result is the same.

This group of three notes is called a *triplet*.

#### SIGNS.

- A Sharp (#) placed before a note raises its pitch one half tone (semitone).
- A Flat (b) placed before a note lowers its pitch one half tone.
- A Double Sharp (x or x) raises the pitch two half tones.
- A Double Flat (b) lowers the pitch two half tones.
- A Natural (\$) is used to restore a note to its natural pitch after being affected by a # or b.

A double sharp is generally used to raise the pitch of a note already affected by the signature, and a double flat to lower it under the same conditions. To restore such a note to its natural pitch in the key indicated by the signature, the natural is used in conjunction with a sharp or flat.



Staccato ( ) indicates that the notes are to played short and abruptly as if you were playing on sticks. Crescendo, cresc. or \_\_\_\_ the sound to be gradually increased.

Diminuendo, dim, decrescendo, decresc. or \_\_\_\_ the sound to be gradually diminished.

p-Piano or soft. f-Forte or loud.

pp - Pianissimo or very soft. ff - Fortissimo or very loud.

fp - The note to be commenced loud, then immediately soft.

sfz or sf - Placed under or over a note signifies that such a note is to be struck forcibly and very loud.

>- The note is to be accented but not necessarily loud.

 $\Lambda$  - The note is to be sustained to its full value.

D. C. or Da Capo (from the beginning), signifies that the piece must be played over from the beginning, (or, if a collection of numbers, as a set of waltzes or quadrilles, from the beginning of the number) either to the end, or to a finish indicated by a double bar marked Fine or with a ...

D. C. al Fine. - From the beginning to the finish.

D. S. or Dal Segno. - From the sign to the end, or finish.

D. S. al Fine. - From the sign to the finish.

The sign  $\phi$  is usually used to indicate a skip to a Coda, at the will of the performer or leader. It sometimes indicates a skip to a second Trio. It is also used to indicate a "Cut," that is, an omission of part of a composition. In any of the above cases the part to which the skip is made, should have the same sign at its commencement.

Sometimes the sign bears the accompanying words, "al Coda" meaning to the Coda.

The Coda is a movement added to the end of a composition to make a more effective finish.

#### ABBREVIATIONS.

To save space, common use is made of the following forms of abbreviation.

% or ≿ - Sign of repetition of a whole measure, thus:



This sign is sometimes improperly used to indicate the repetition of part of a measure. The proper sign, however, is > or /.

EXAMPLE.







The sign or placed under a whole note or across the stem of a half or quarter note, thus: 5, indicates that its value is to be played in *eighth* notes. This sign indicates that sixteeuth notes are to be played, and thirty-second notes.

#### EXAMPLES.



Bis (twice) indicates that the passage marked is to be repeated, and is used for short repeating passages where the ordinary repeat marks might be overlooked.



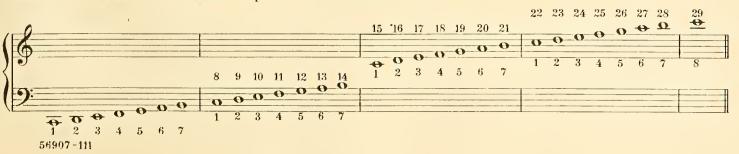
The musical Alphabet consist of seven letters. These seven letters, with the use of sharps and flats indicate twelve different musical sounds by the different combinations of which all musical effects are produced. When these seven letters, or primary sounds, are arranged in consecutive order they form a Scale.

#### A SCALE.



The *eighth* sound (or octave) bears the same name as the *first*, and must be considered merely as a repetition of that sound. In the same manner were we still further to ascend in the scale, the ninth would be a repetition of the second, and so on.

This, perhaps, may be more clearly understood if we consider that, in ordinary language, any letter is the same in sound whether it be written large or small, (A,A,a,a,) thus the following example is merely an extension of the scale, or a continued repetition of the first seven sounds.



Any scale is a Diatonic Scale which contains the seven letters (beginning with any one of them), and the octave of the *First*, in regular order without repeating any one of them in any form, thus C, D, E, F, G, A, B, C, is a diatonic scale, while  $C, D, E, E \neq G, A, B$ , is not. Still the musical sounds would be the same in either case.

The scale in our example is the Diatonic Scale of C Major. We will again give it and under it a Chromatic Scale which gives all the intervening musical sounds.



It will be perceived from the above Chromatic Scale that there are twelve different musical sounds in an octave. Five of these sounds must therefore be named from the letters representing the other seven sounds. It will be observed that between 3 and 4, also between 7 and 8, there are no intervening sounds. These intervals are therefore termed half-tones. The other intervals are termed whole-tones.

From C to D is a whole tone (or whole step), because there is a note half way between them, called C# (or it may be termed Db).

From D to E is a whole tone, because D# occurs between them.

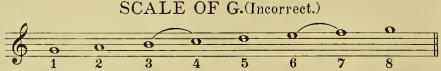
From E to F is only a half tone, as there is no sound between them. From F to G, G to A, A to B, are whole tones, and from B to C a half tone.

The Chromatic Scale is a scale of half tones.

Now let us commence a scale on another letter, thus: G, A, B, C, D, E, F, G.

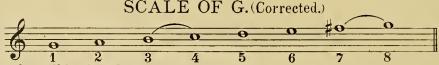
Here are eight letters in regular order and it is an established natural fact that the half tones occur between E and F, and also between B and C.

In the Diatonic Major Scale the semitones must occur between 3 and 4, and also between 7 and 8.



The curved line ( ) shows where the half tones occur in the natural tones, but they *must* occur between 3 and 4, also 7 and 8.

In the above scale they occur between 3 and 4, which is correct, but the other half tone is between 6 and 7, which is incorrect. We cannot change the letters, but we may change the sound of one of them by the use of a sharp (#). Thus the interval between 6 and 7 may be extended from a half to a whole tone, by placing a sharp before the F, as in the following example:

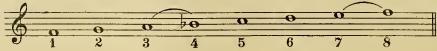


By analysis this scale will be found correct in intervals.

We give another commencing with F.



In this scale the half tones are found between 4 and 5, which is incorrect, and 7 and 8, which is correct. The interval between 3 and 4 is here a whole tone. We can reduce it to a half tone by lowering the B a half tone, by the use of a flat (b), thus:—

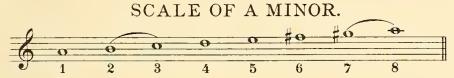


From this we draw the inference that the principal use of sharps and flats is to preserve the intervals of the *Diatonic Scale*, either *Major* or *Minor*.

The First of a scale is called the Key Note.

In the Minor Scale the intervals are as follows: 1 to 2, whole tone; 2 to 3, half tone; 3 to 4, whole tone; 4 to 5, 5 to 6, 6 to 7, whole tones; 7 to 8, half tone.

This formation is called the Melodic Minor Scale.



Sometimes this scale for Harmonic purposes is different in descending, thus:



In the above we have half tones between 2 and 3, 5 and 6, 7 and 8, while between 6 and 7 is a tone and a half. This is called a Harmonic Minor Scale.

It would be confusing to place a sharp or flat before each note, therefore when a certain scale is desired, the sharps or flats are placed in a group at the beginning of a staff.

This group of sharps or flats is called the *Signature*, as it is the *sign* by which the key or scale is known; if there is no signature, the composition is said to be in the natural key, or key of C. When sharps, flats or naturals are used anywhere except in the signature they are called *accidentals*, and are in contradiction to the signature. An *accidental* usually only affects the note in the measure in which it occurs. If the last note of a measure is affected by an accidental, the first of the next, (if the same note,) is also considered affected by it, but to prevent misunderstanding should also have the accidental, and if a note which is affected by an accidental occurs in the next measure, it should be *restored* by an accidental, although the effect of the accidental does not extend beyond the measure in which it is placed, (with the single exception-given).

Each # or b in the signature affects the note throughout the piece, unless contradicted by a change of signature, or by accidentals.

#### INTERVALS.

An interval is the difference in pitch between two notes.

A degree is a visible distance referring to lines and spaces. Two notes occupying different degrees but

the same in pitch, thus: constitute an enharmonic interval.

Two notes upon the same degree even if different in pitch are called a prime.

#### TABLE OF INTERVALS. Thirds. Fourths. Fifths. Sixths. Sevenths. Eighth or Octave. Ninths. Primes. Seconds. Minor Minor Imperfect Imperfect $_{ m Minor}$ Minor Imperfect Minor 20 20 243 Perfect Perfect Major Perfect Major Major Major Major Perfect O 4 0 Diminished Augmented Augmented Diminished Augmented Augmented Augmented Augmented 0 Fifteenth Thirteenth Tenth. Twelvth

The tenth can generally be termed a third, the twelvth a fifth, and the fifteenth an eighth or octave, in fact each of the above intervals in harmony is generally considered the same even if the upper note appears in another octave.

# COMMON MUSICAL TERMS.

Accelerando, Accel.- Gradually increasing the velocity.

Adagio-Avery slow degree of movement.

Ad Libitum, Ad Lib.-At the discretion of the performer.

Affettuoso-With mournful expression.

Agitato-Agitated, hurried, restless.

Allegretto - Light and cheerful but not so quick as Allegro.

Allegro - Quick, lively, but frequently modified by the addition of other words that change its expression, as;

Allegro Agitato - Quick, with anxiety and agitation.

Allegro Assai-Very quick.

Allegro Con Fuoco - Quick, with fire and animation.

Allegro Con Moto - Quick, with more than the usual degree of movement.

Andante-A movement in moderate time but flowing steadily, easily, and gracefully, This term is often modified as to time and style by the addition of other words, as;

Andaute Con Moto- Moving easily, with motion or agritation; rather lively.

Andante Maestoso-Rather slowly and in majestic style.

Andante ma non Troppo-Slowly but not too much so.

Andantino - A little faster than Andante. This is a disputed term and in some old compositions it is used to indicate a movement *slower* than Audante.

Anima or Animato - With life and animation.

Assai - Very, extremely, in a high degree, as Allegro assai, very quick.

A Tempo-In time; a term used to denote that after some deviation or relaxation of the time, the performers must return to the original movement.

Ben - Well; such as Ben Marcato, Well marked.

Bravura, con-With spirit and boldness of execution.

Brillante - Brilliant.

Cantabile - In a melodious, singing and graceful style, full of expression.

Col or Colla-With the; as Colla Voce, with the voice.

Con - With; as Con Forza, with great force.

Con Amore - With tenderness and affection.

Con Anima or Con Animato-With Animation.

Con Brio - With life, spirit, brilliancy.

Con Fuoco - With fire and expression.

Con Spirito - With spirit, life, energy.

Delicato - Delicately, smoothly.

Dolce - Sweetly, softly, delicately.

Elegante - Elegant, graceful.

Espress, Espressivo or Espressione-With expression.

Facile - Light, easy.

Giocoso-Humorously, sportively.

Grazioso-Graceful.

Grandioso - Grand, noble.

Grave - Slow, solemn.

Larghetto-Slow but not so slow as Largo.

Largo-A slow and solemn degree of movement.

Largo Assai-Very slow.

Legato-In a close, smooth, graceful manner.

Leggiero-Light, swift, delicate.

Lento-Slow.

Ma-But, as Andante ma non troppo, slow but not too much so.

Maestoso - Majestic, stately, dignified.

Marcato - Marked, accented, well pronounced.

Meno-Less; as Meno Mosso, less movement.

Meno Vivo - Not so fast.

Mezzo-In a middling degree or manner; as Mezzo Forte, rather loud.

Moderato-With a moderate degree of quickness.

Molto-Much, very much, a great deal.

Molto Allegro-Very quick.

Morendo-Gradually diminishing the tone and time.

Mosso-Movement, motion.

Moto-Motion, movement; as Con Moto, with motion rather quick.

Non - Not, no; as Non troppo, not too much.

Non tanto- Not so much, or not too much.

Piu - More; as Piu lento, More slowly.

Piu mosso-More motion.

Poco-Little.

Poco Piu Allegro - A little more Allegro.

Prestissimo - As fast as possible.

Presto-Quickly, rapidly.

Rallentando, Rall .- The time gradually slower.

Rit, Ritard, Ritardando - Same as Rallentando.

Scherzando - Playful, sportive, lively, merry.

Sempre - Always; as Sempre Accelerando, always faster.

Smorzando-Gradually dying away.

Sostenuto-Sustaining the tone.

Stringendo-Accelerating the movement.

Tempo Primo - In the original time.

Tutti - All the entire band or chorus; in a solo it indicates where the full band or orchestra is to come in.

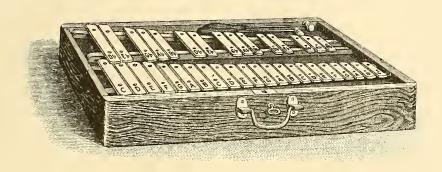
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THREE OCTAVES, CHROMATIC SCALE

Orchestra Bells are steel bars tuned like the scale of the piano and arranged on separate frames. The bars corresponding to the *white keys* of the piano are arranged on the frame nearest the player while those corresponding with the *black keys* are on a frame immediately behind the other.

The scale compass of a set should be at least from 
$$\frac{B}{G}$$
 Some professional sets range from  $\frac{G}{G}$  C  $\frac{C}{G}$  To  $\frac{C}{G}$  Some professional sets range from  $\frac{G}{G}$  C  $\frac{C}{G}$   $\frac{C}{G}$ 

The player should become familiar with all keys and be able immediately to strike the right bar without looking at it. Strike each bar in the center and hold each hammer lightly with the thumb and first two fingers in such a position that the hammers will be parallel with each other except when it is necessary to cross them.

The bell part in orchestra or band music is generally written without signature, the sharps, flats etc. being placed before each note. In this book the exercises are, however, written with the proper signatures for each key.

Practice slowly at first, with the left, then with the right hand; then both hands alternating with each note.

Two preserve the bells from rusting rub them once a week with chamois skin, moistened with "Three in One" oil being careful not to use so much oil as to leave them greasy.

The bells should be placed upon a stool, chair or table in front of the performer.

In scale passages keep the right hand in position but extend the left so the hammers will be almost at right angles with each other. Pass the hammer end of the left stick behind the hammer of the right.

There are many musical novelties founded upon the scale of the bells.

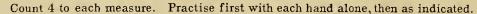
A partial list of them includes, Organ Chimes, Aluminum Chimes, Arch Bells, Merimbaphones, Musical Sleigh Bells, Staff Bells, Musical Rattles etc. etc. They can hardly be considered orchestral accessories however and are almost valueless as such with the exception of the chimes. They are used by stage performers who are novelty specialists. A thorough acquaintance with the Orchestra Bells will enable the performer to easily master any novelties with a similar scale.

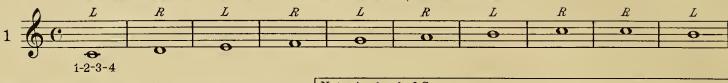
Read all of the above carefully, then practice faithfully and perseveringly for only by practice and earnest study can you become proficient.

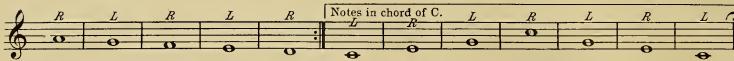
# ELEMENTARY EXERCISES.

#### SCALE OF C MAJOR.

Note. For formation of the various scales see pages 12 and 13.







Also practice No1 and 2 beginning with the right hand.







Lift the hammers quickly to prevent interference with vibration.





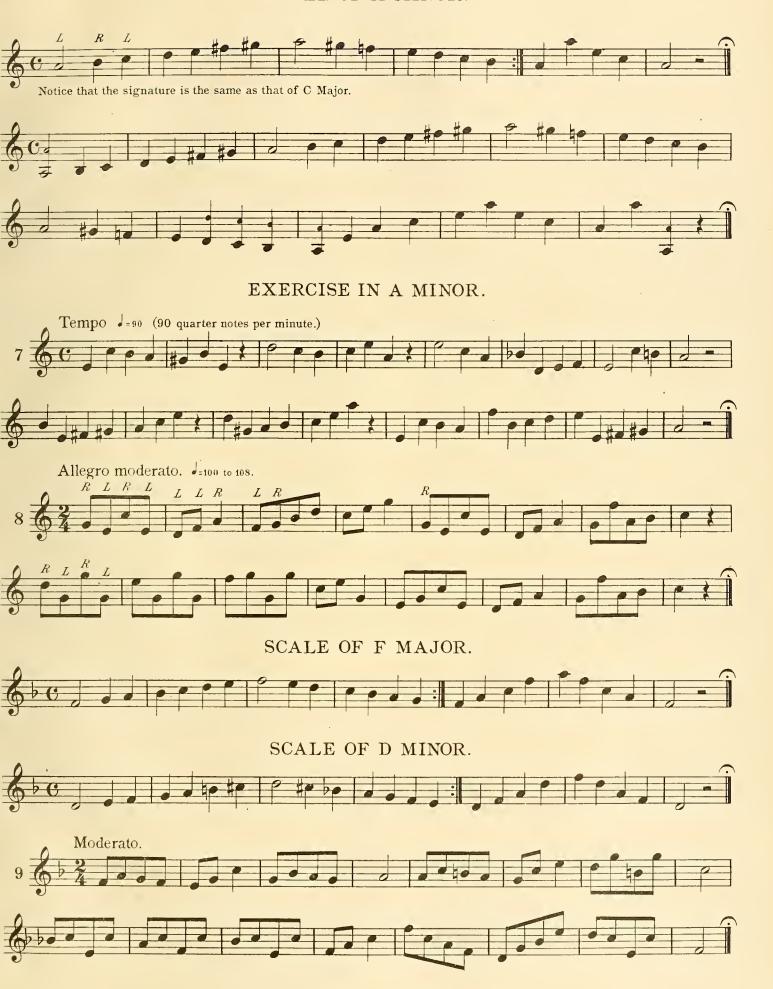
Preserve even power of stroke for each hand.



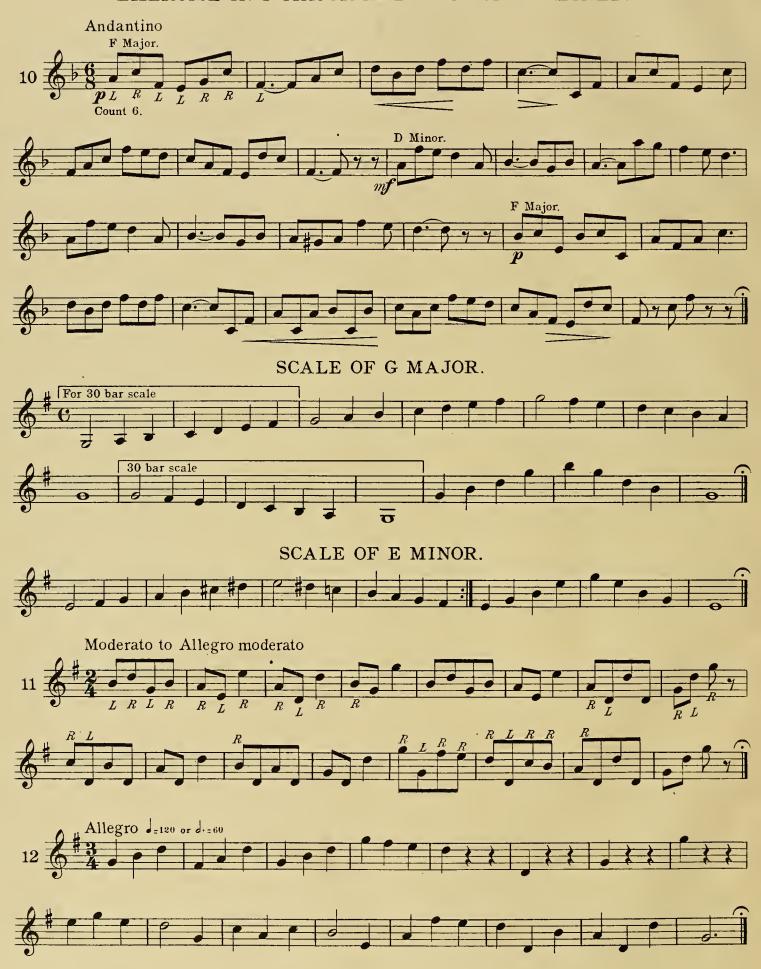


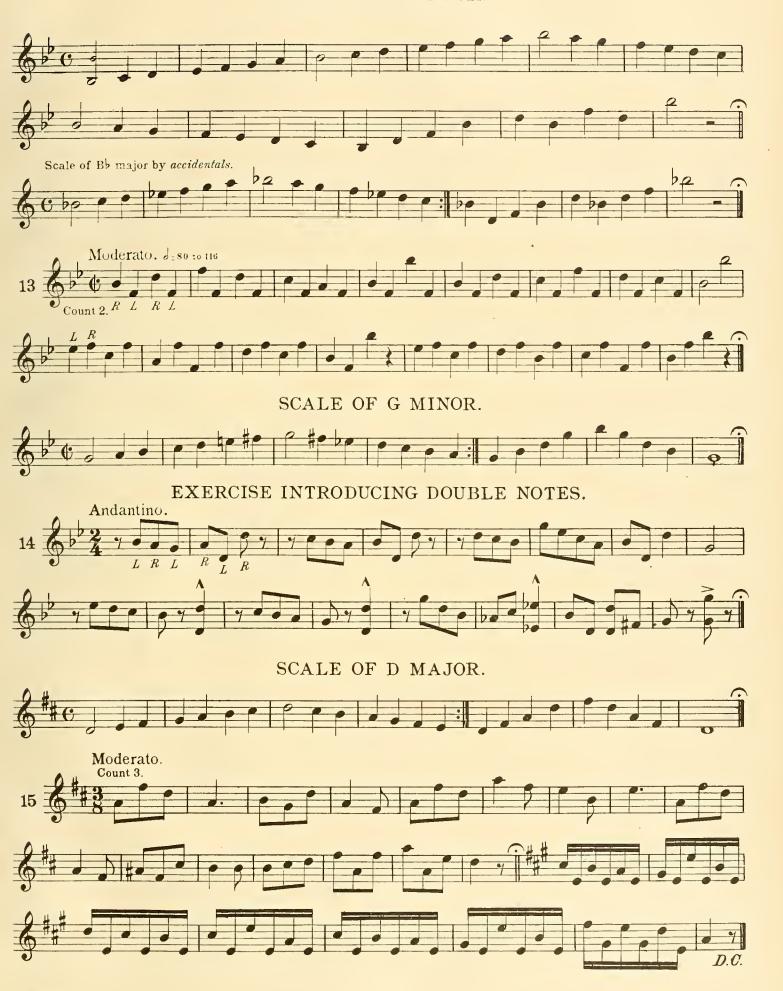




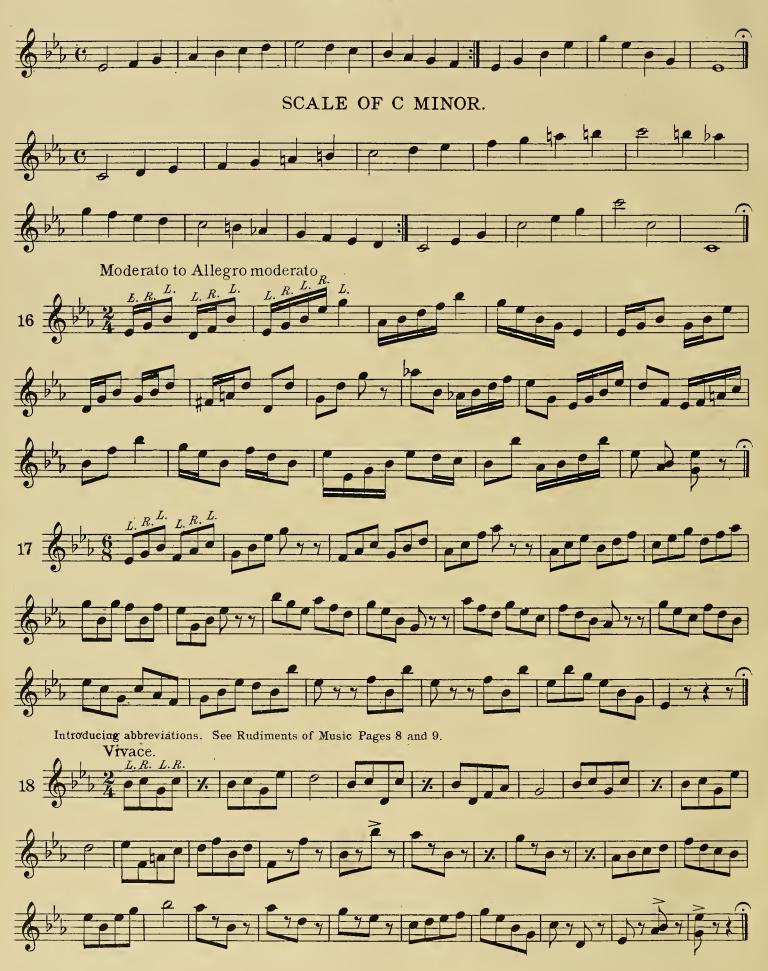


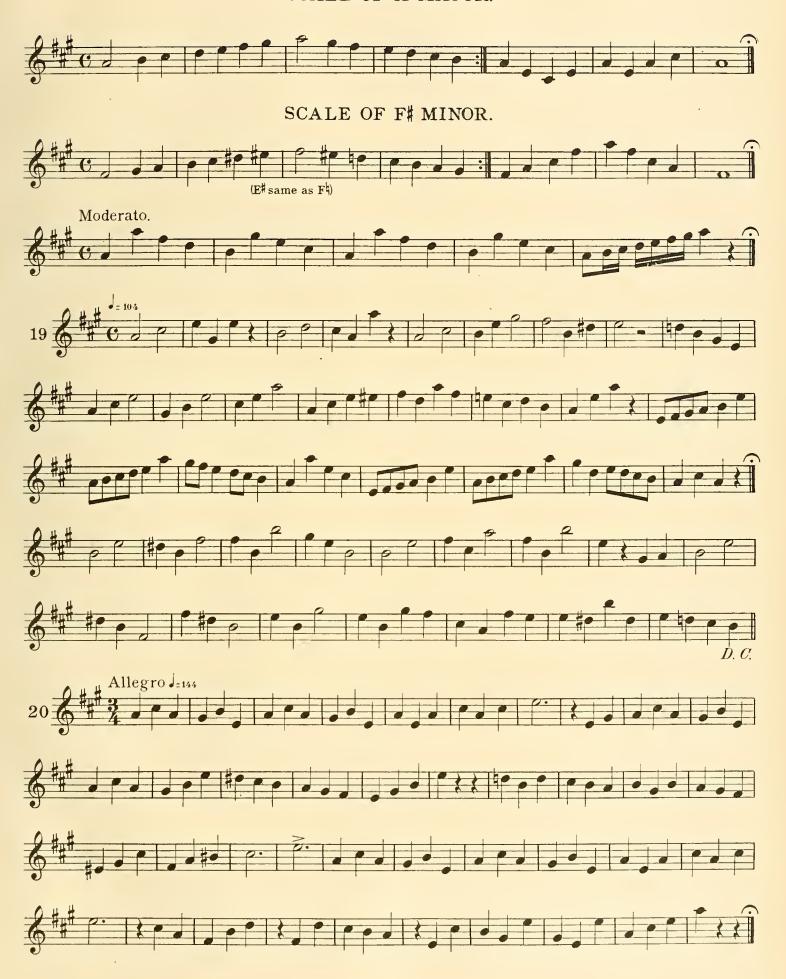
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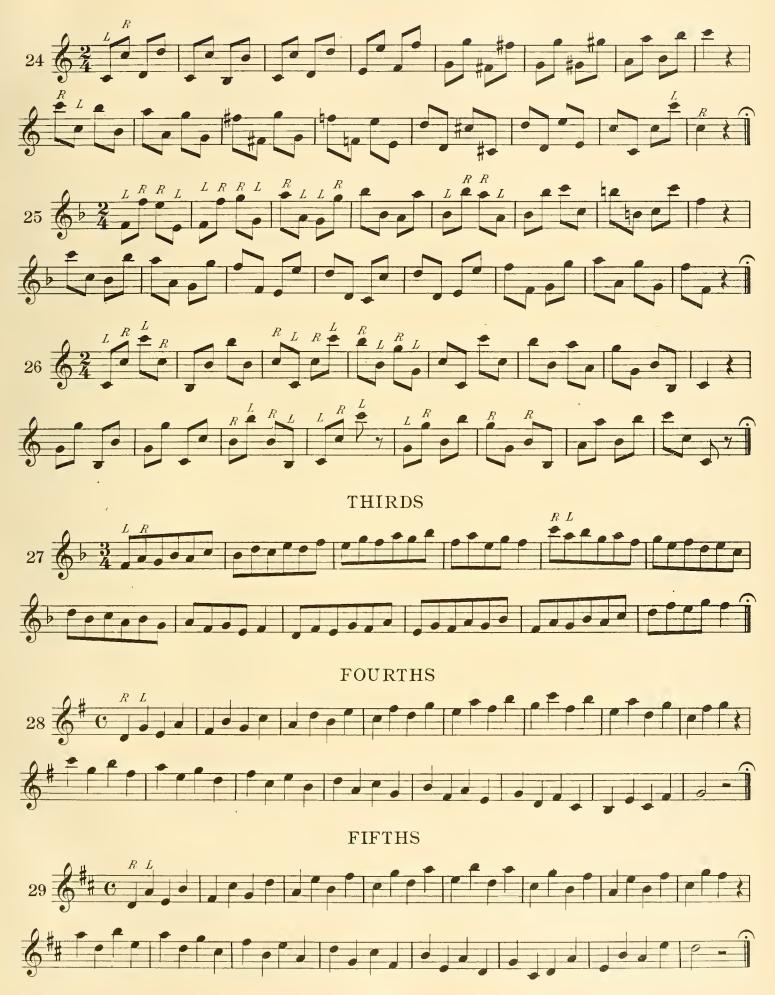
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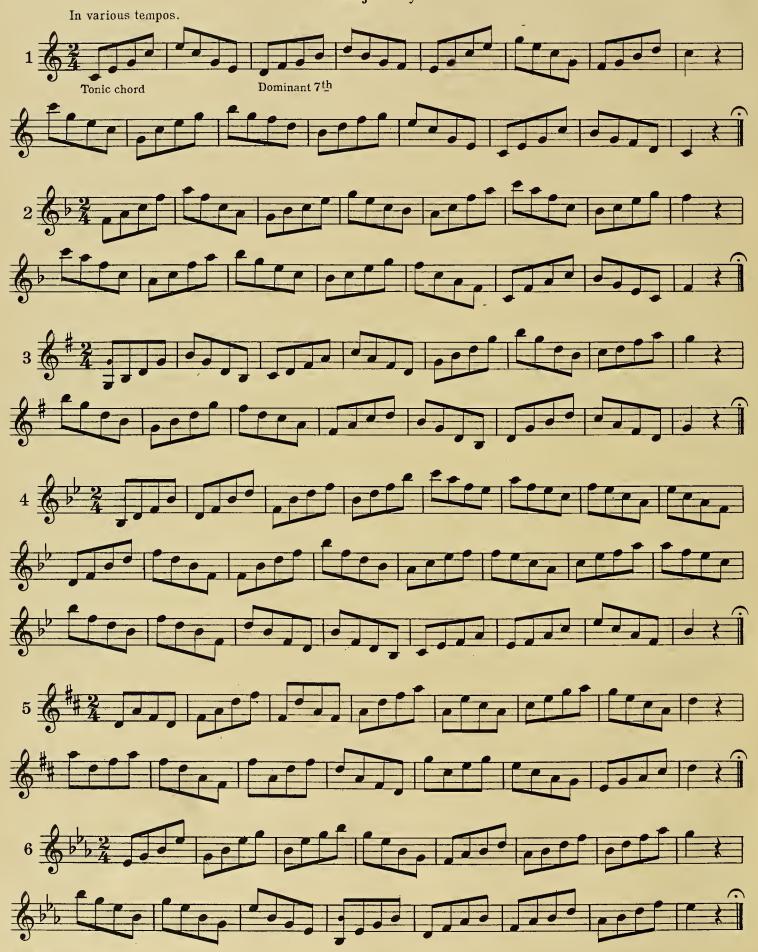
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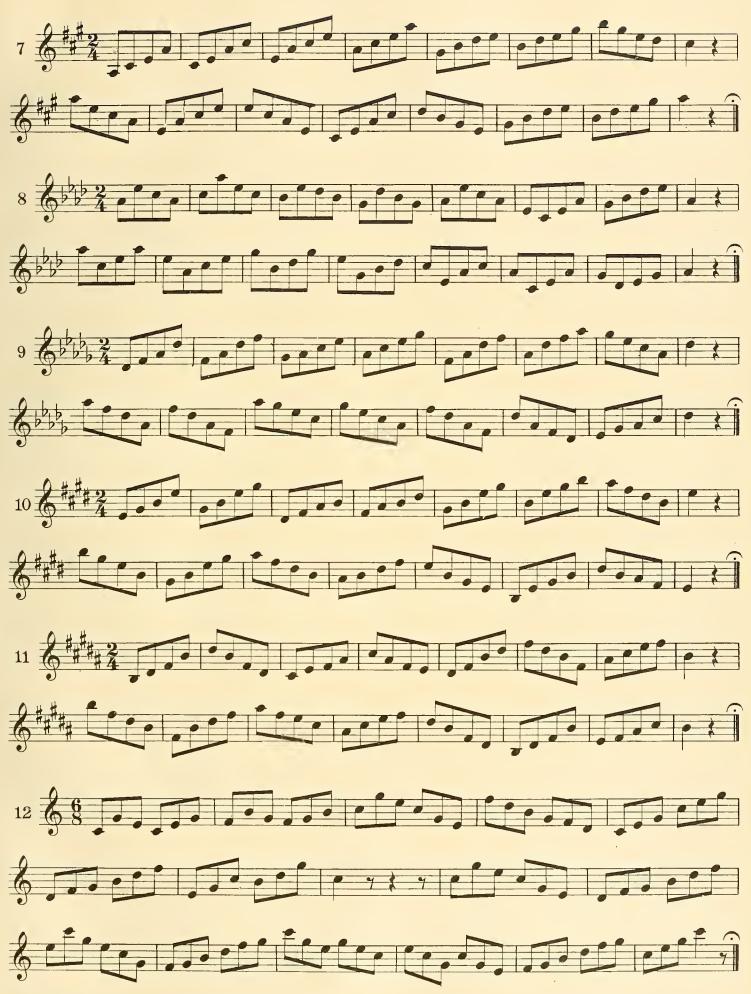


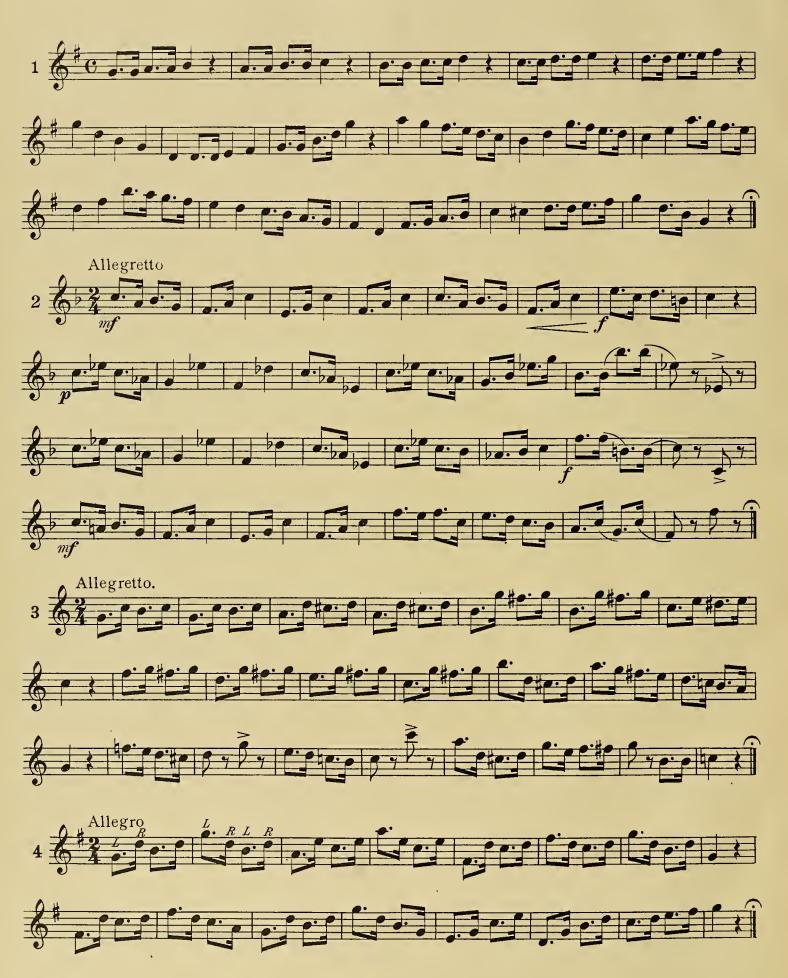


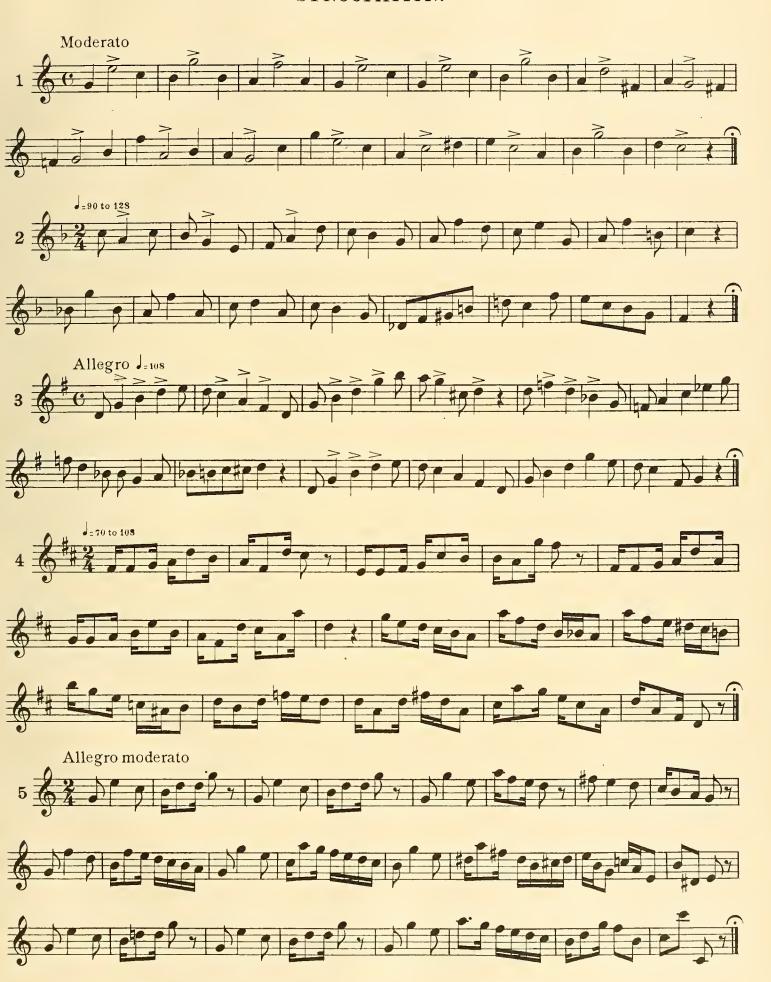
## ARPEGGIOS.

(BROKEN CHORDS.)
In Major Key's.





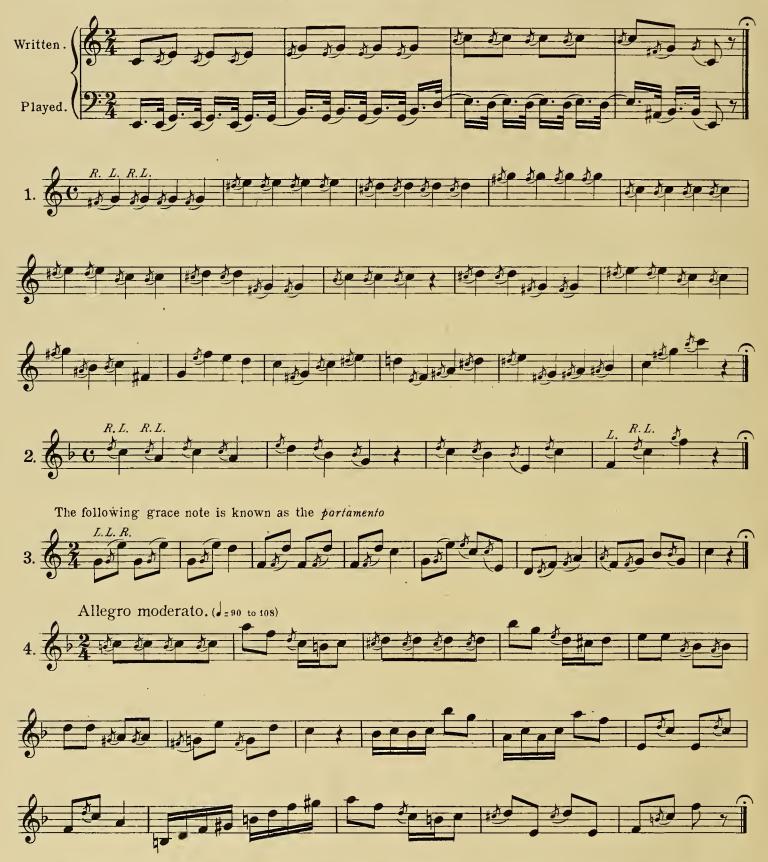




### PETITE GRACE NOTE OR SINGLE APPOGGIATURA.

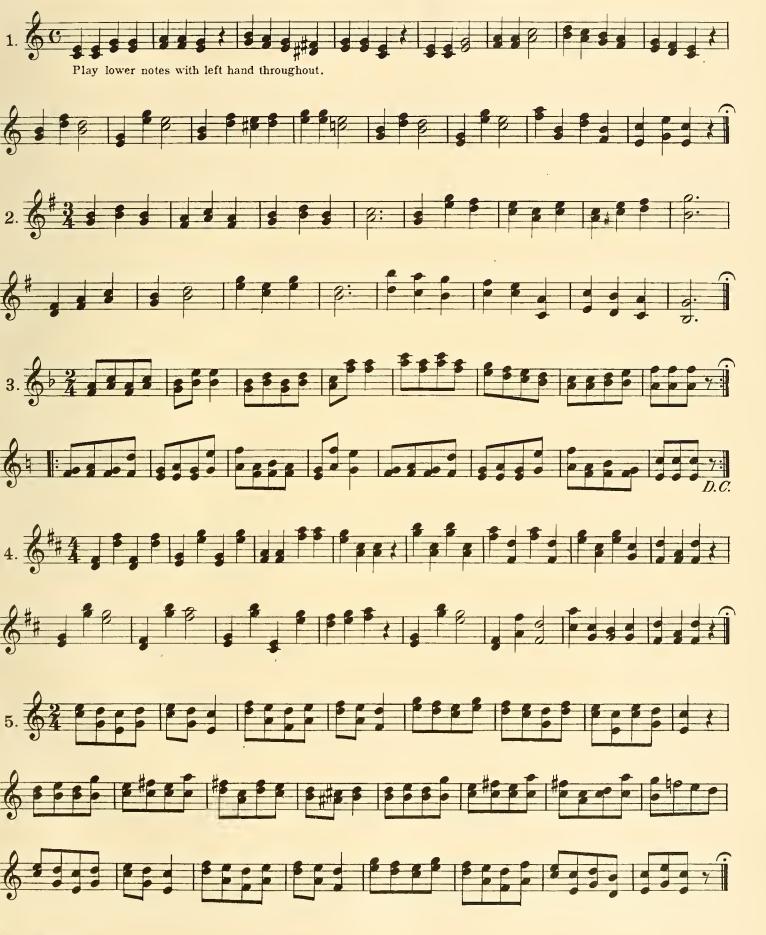
The grace note takes its time from the preceding note and is, or should be, attached to the principal note by a slur.

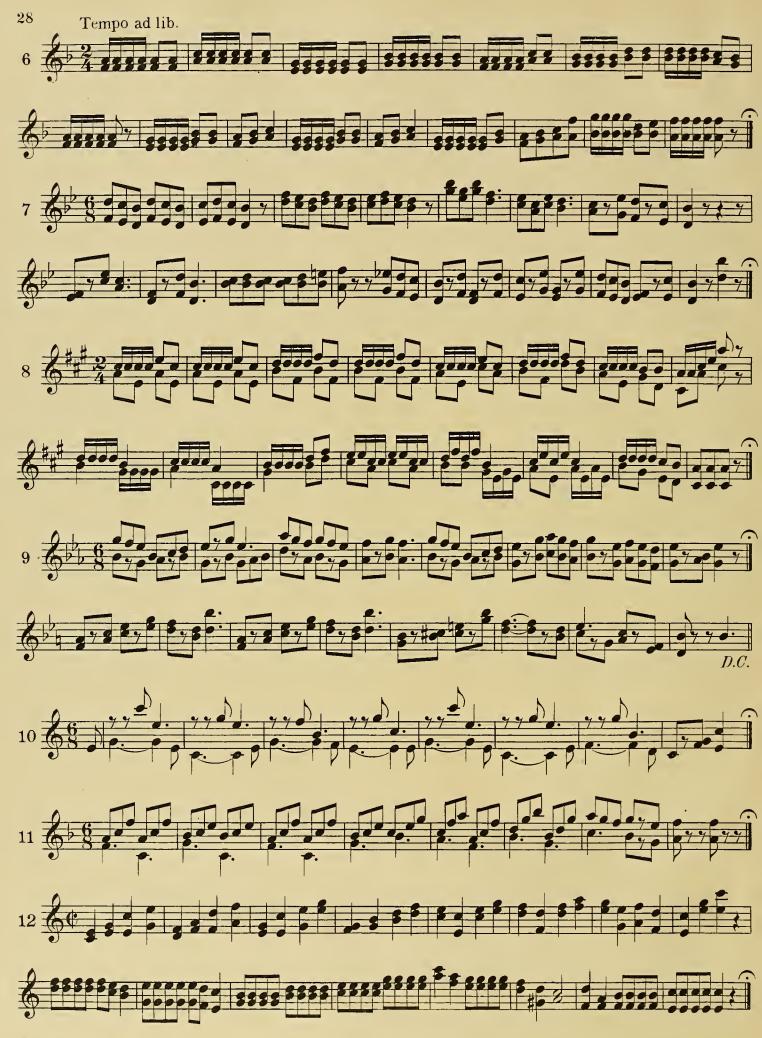
The principal note should follow the grace note very closely.



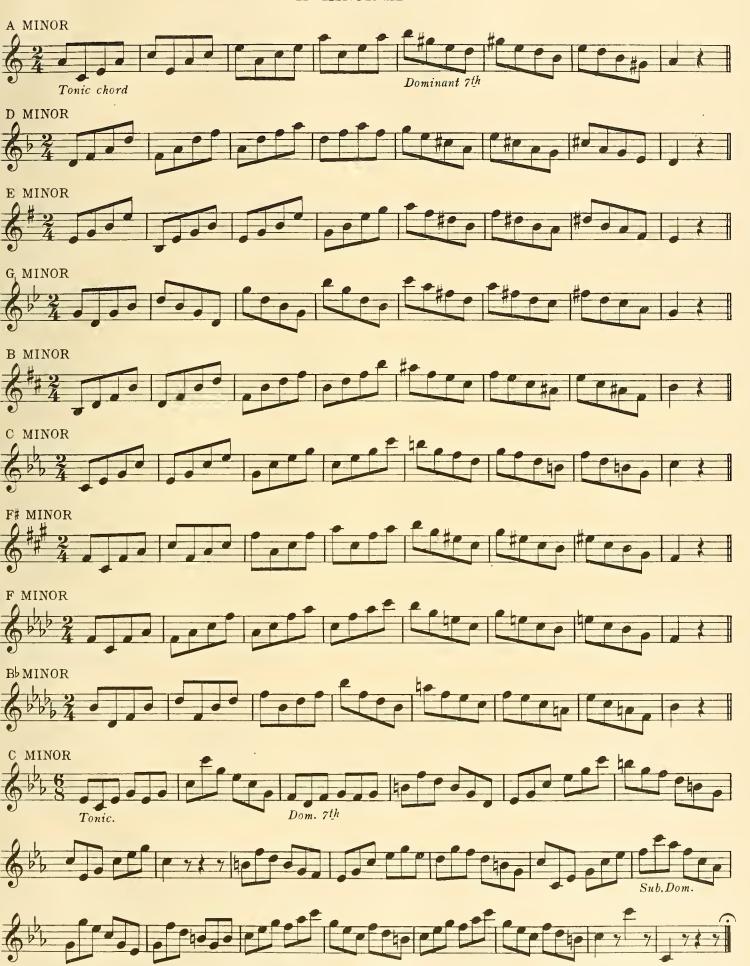
There are many other forms of grace note embellishments, which are not practicable for orchestra bells, for, as stated in the Preface they are not intended for rapid execution.

Practice slowly until both tones are sounded exactly together and with equal power of tone.

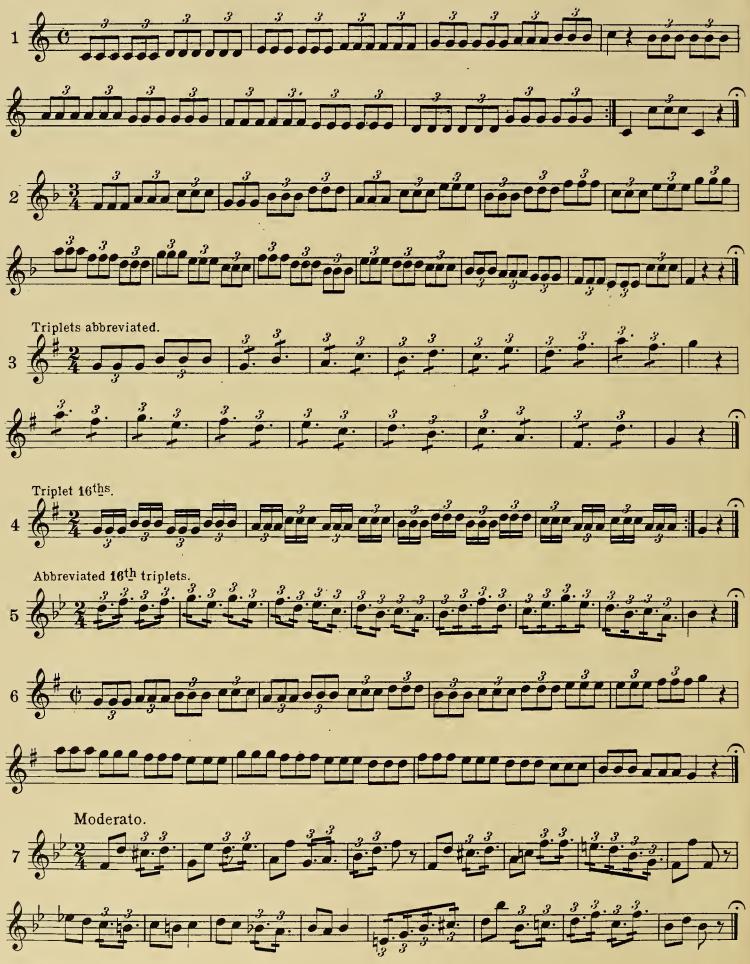


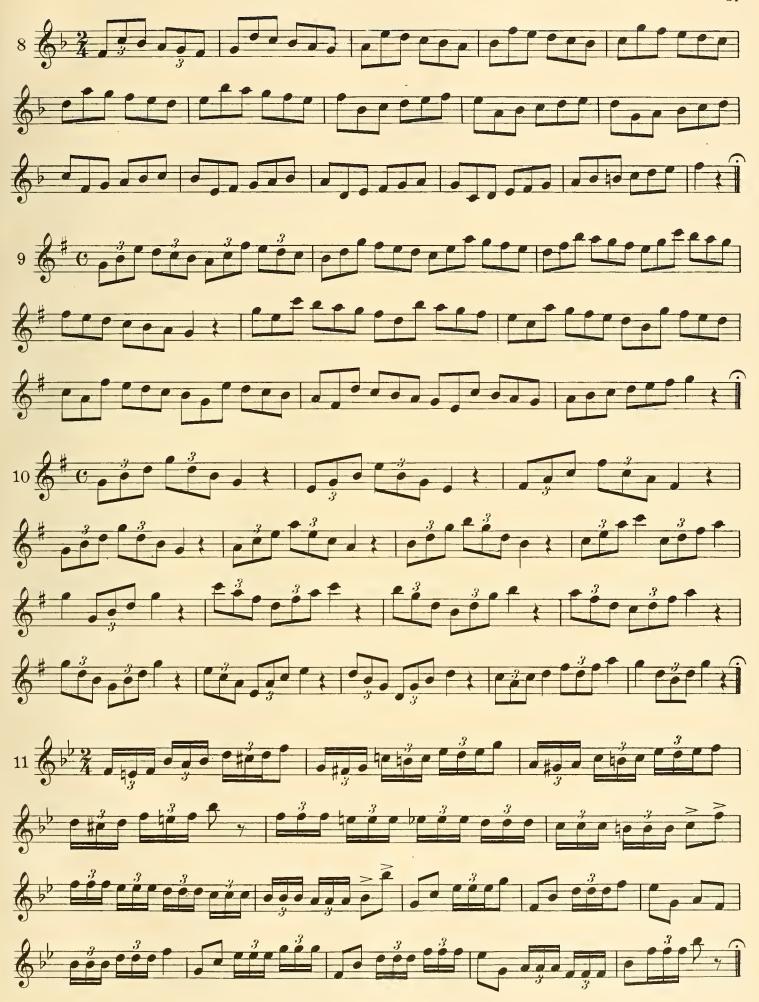


# Arpeggios. IN MINOR KEYS.



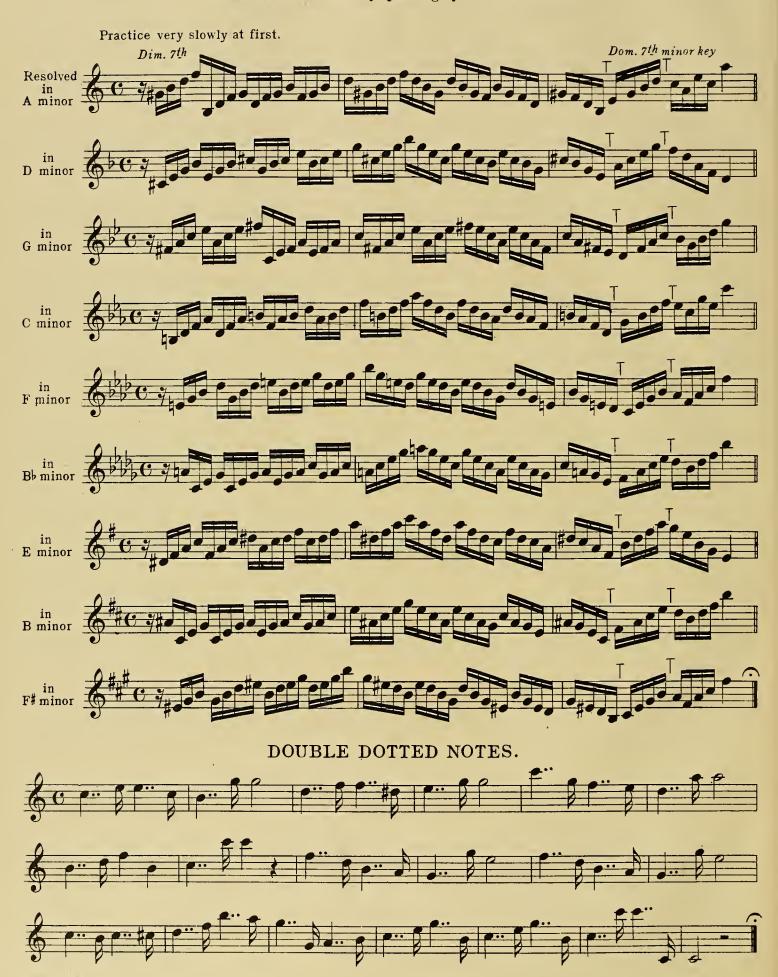
A Triplet is a group of three notes played in the usual time of two.

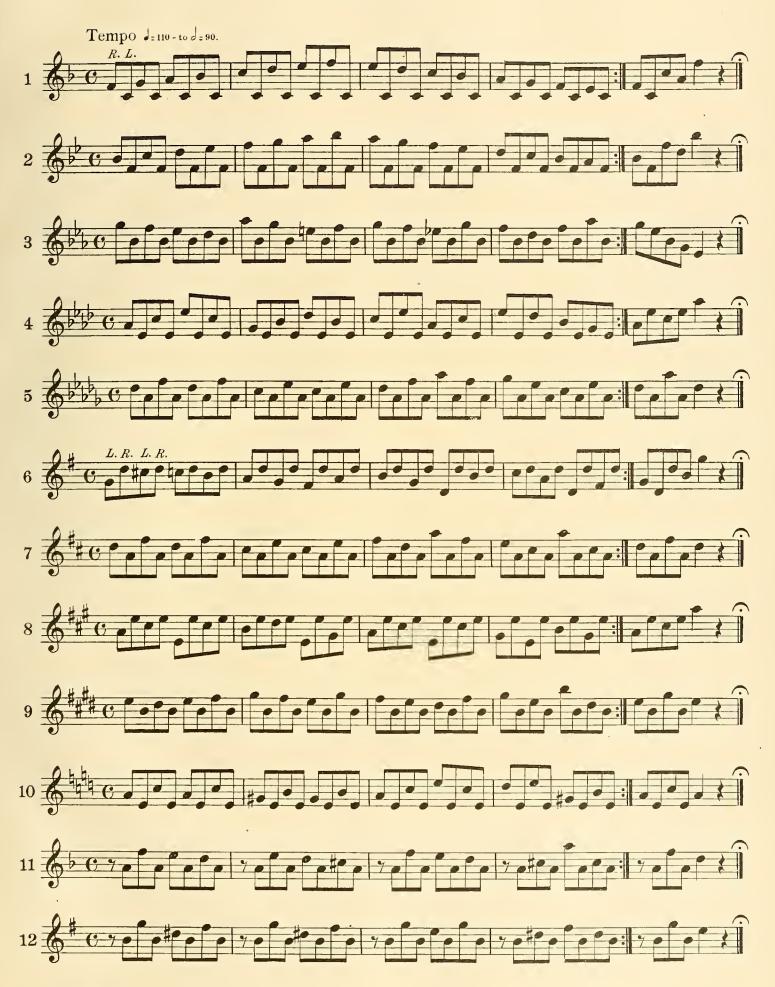




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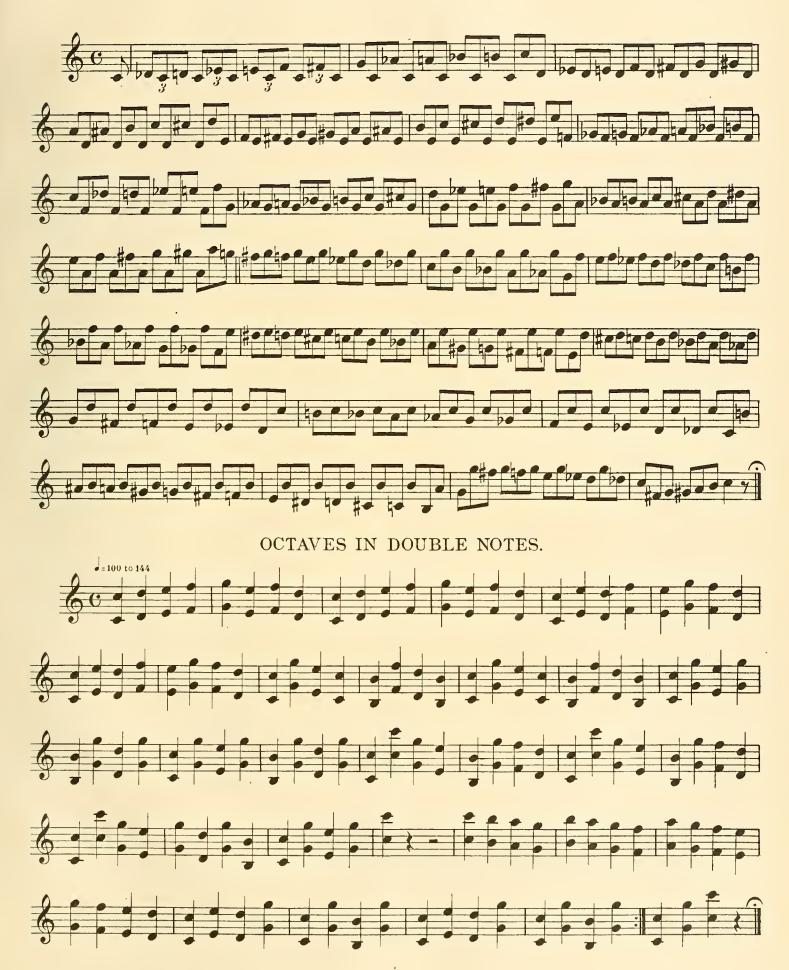
Resolved in Minor Key, passing by Dominant seventh.



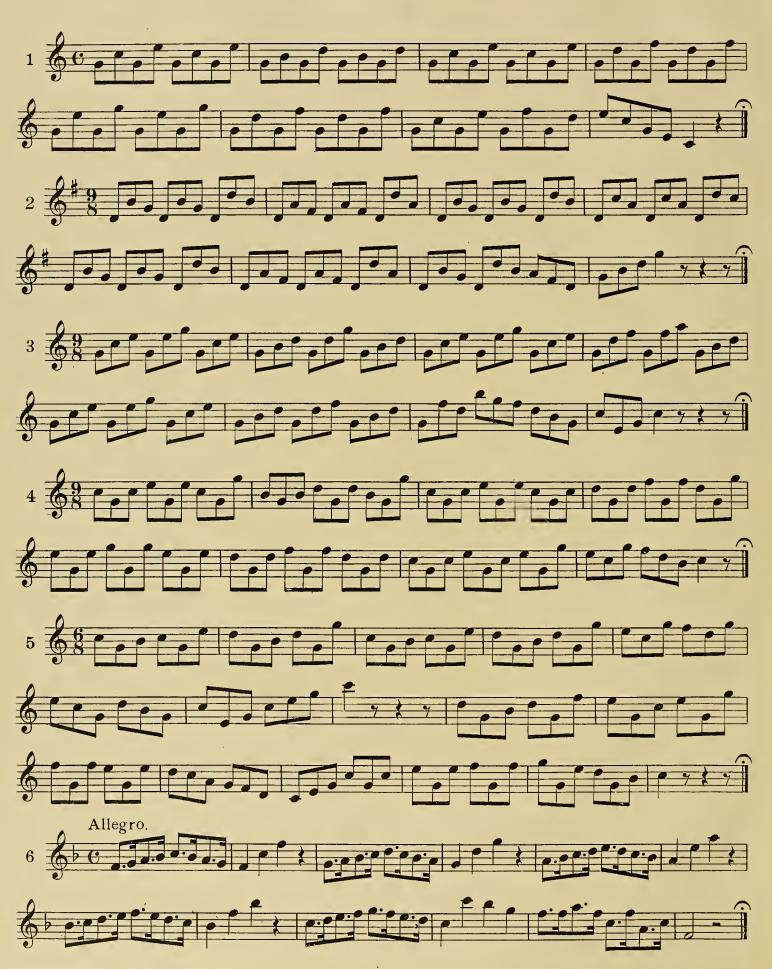


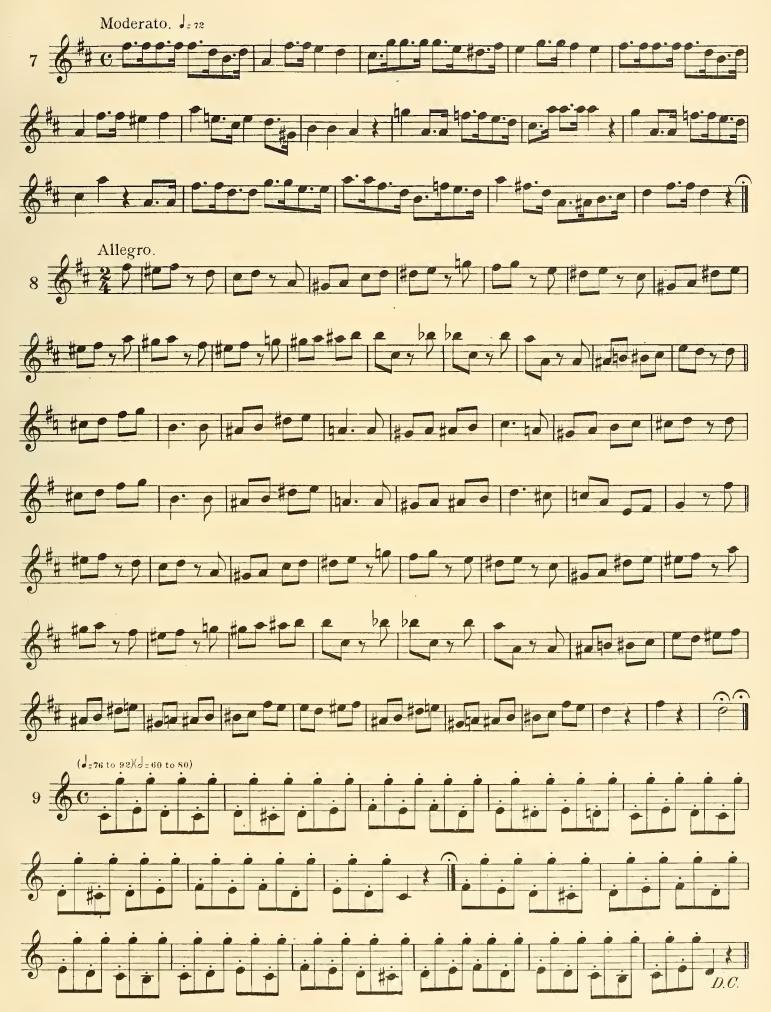


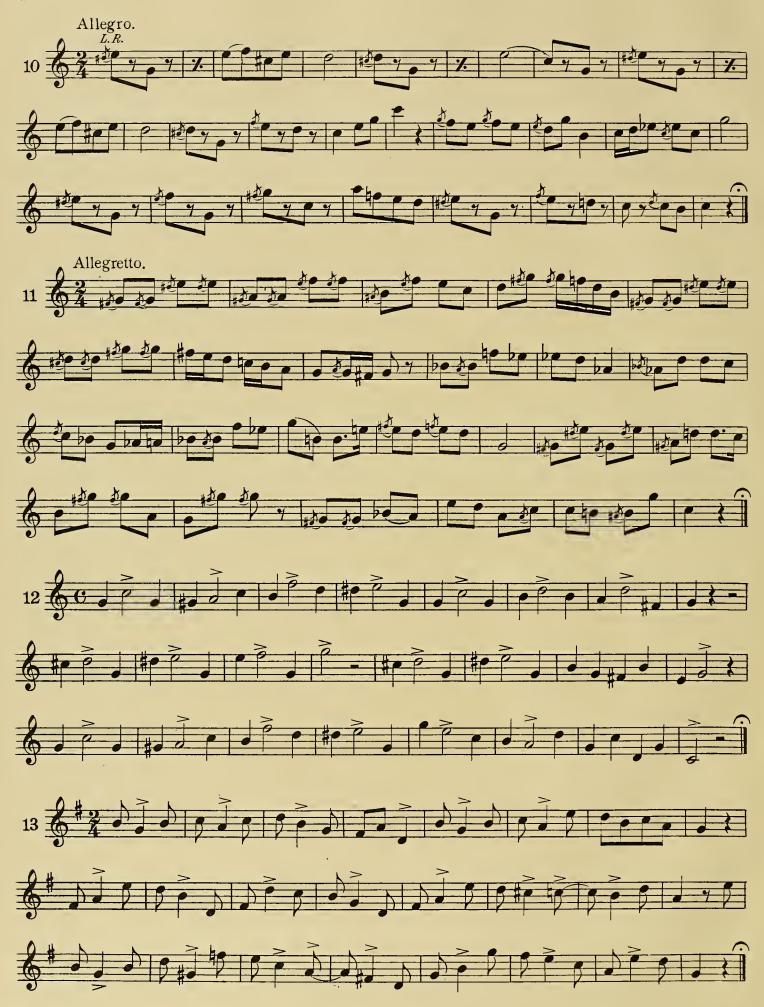
# CHROMATIC INTERVALS IN TRIPLETS. ASCENDING AND DESCENDING.

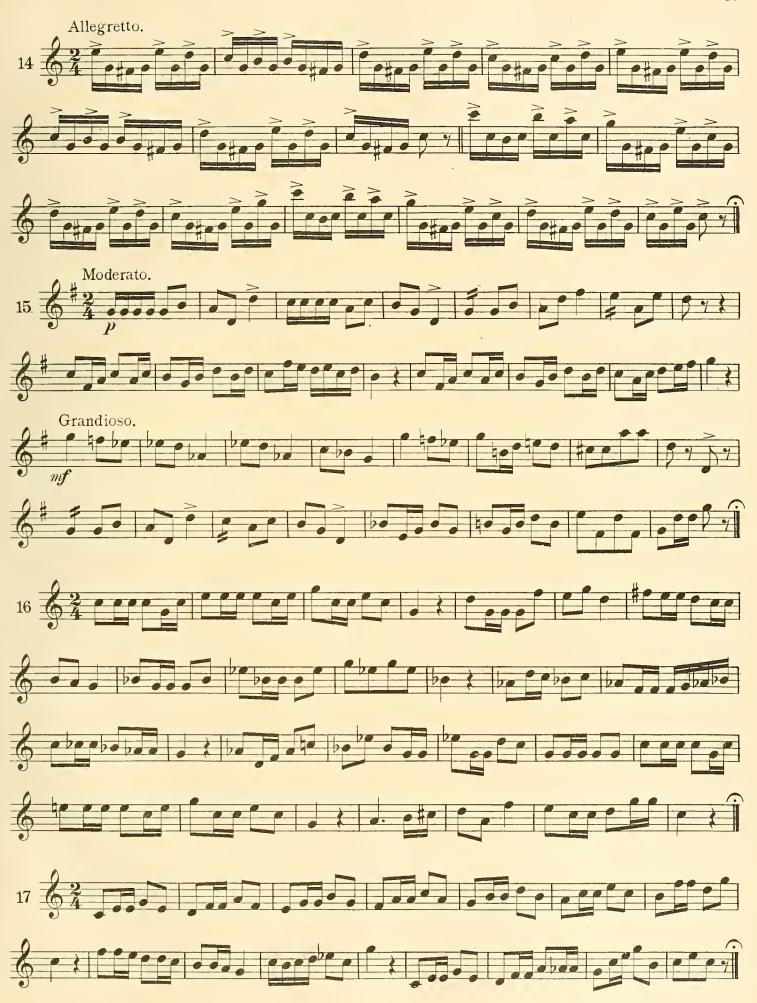


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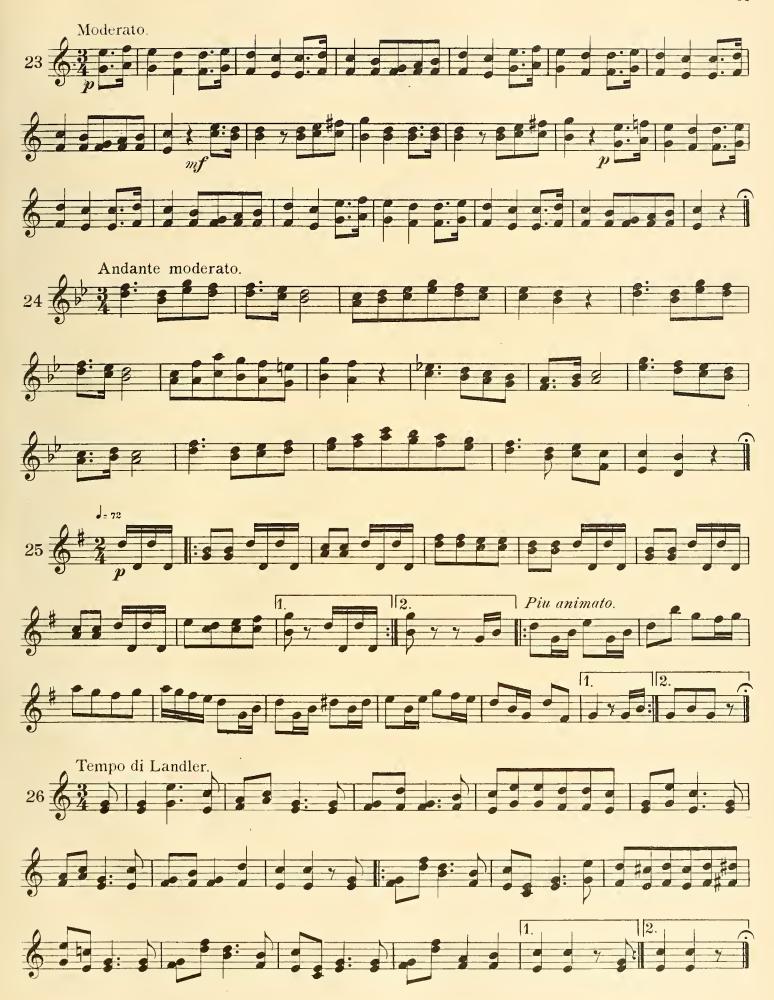






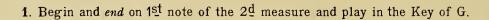


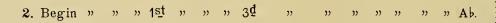




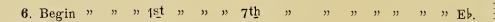


### Other Models for Nº1.





5. Begin " " 
$$1\underline{s}t$$
 " "  $6t\underline{h}$  " " " " " " D.





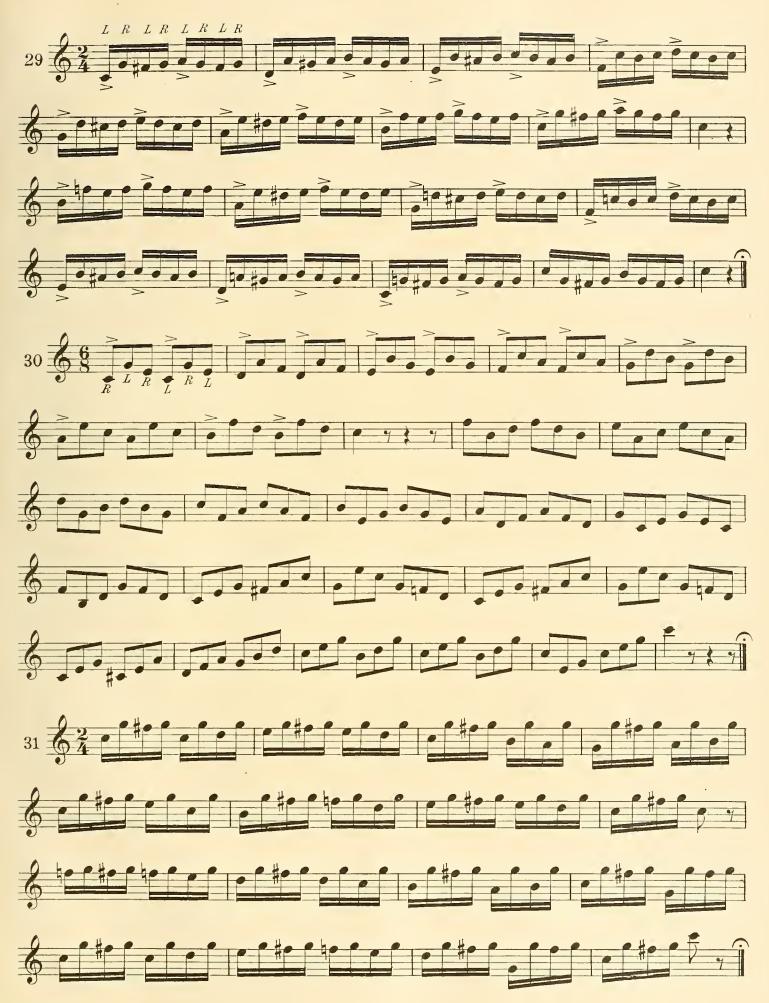
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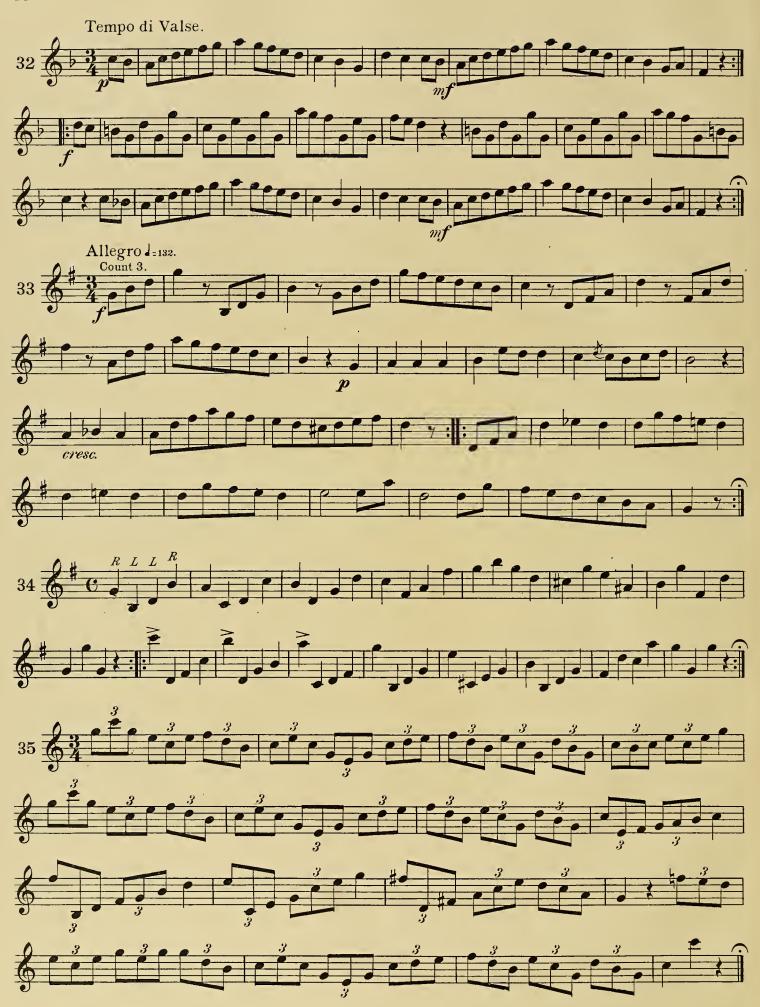
Begin at 1. and end on last note of the next measure, in Key of G.

Begin n 2. n n n n n n n n n n A.

Begin " 3. " " " " " " " " " " " Bb.

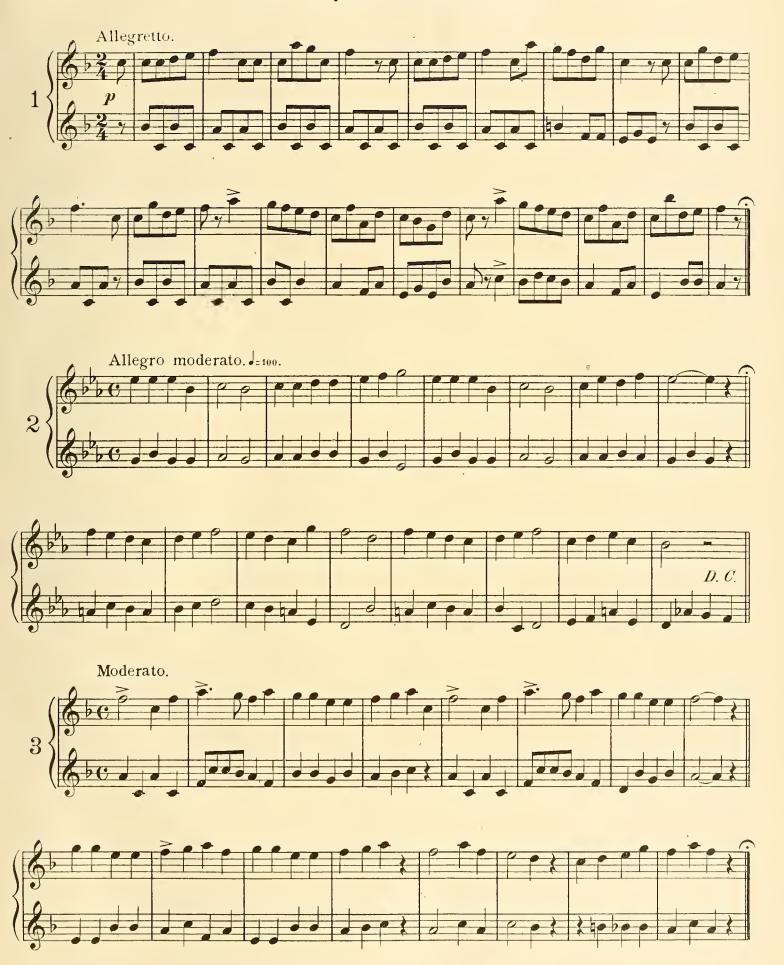
Begin "4. " " " " " " " " " " C.

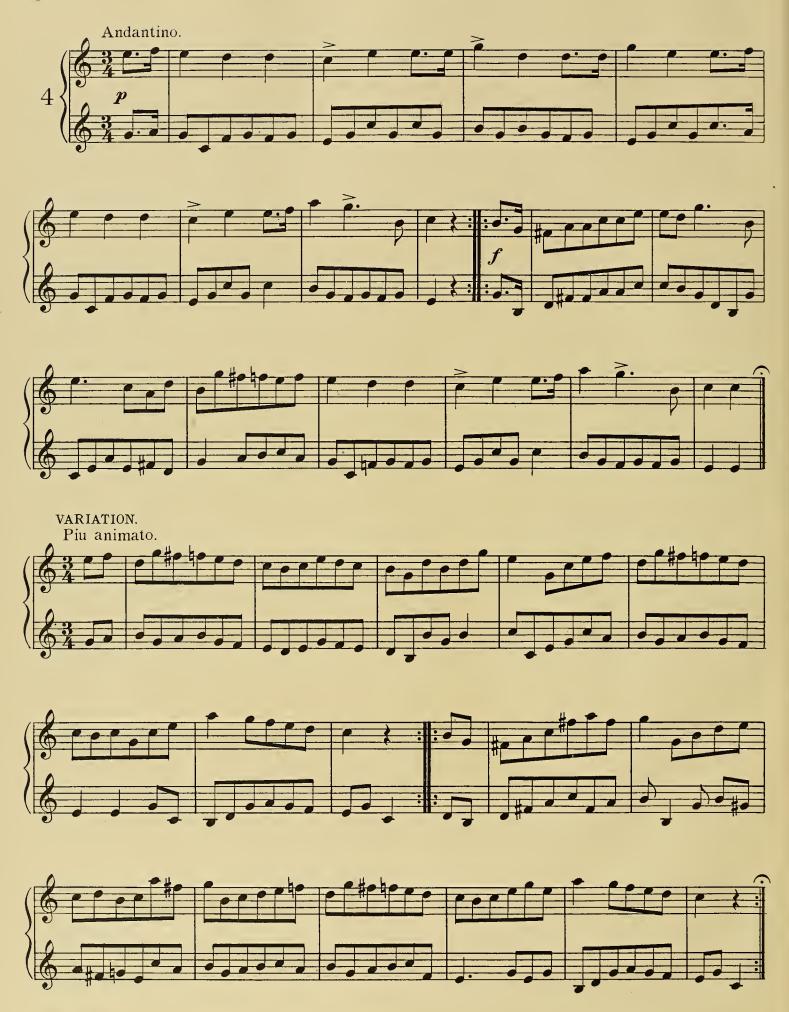




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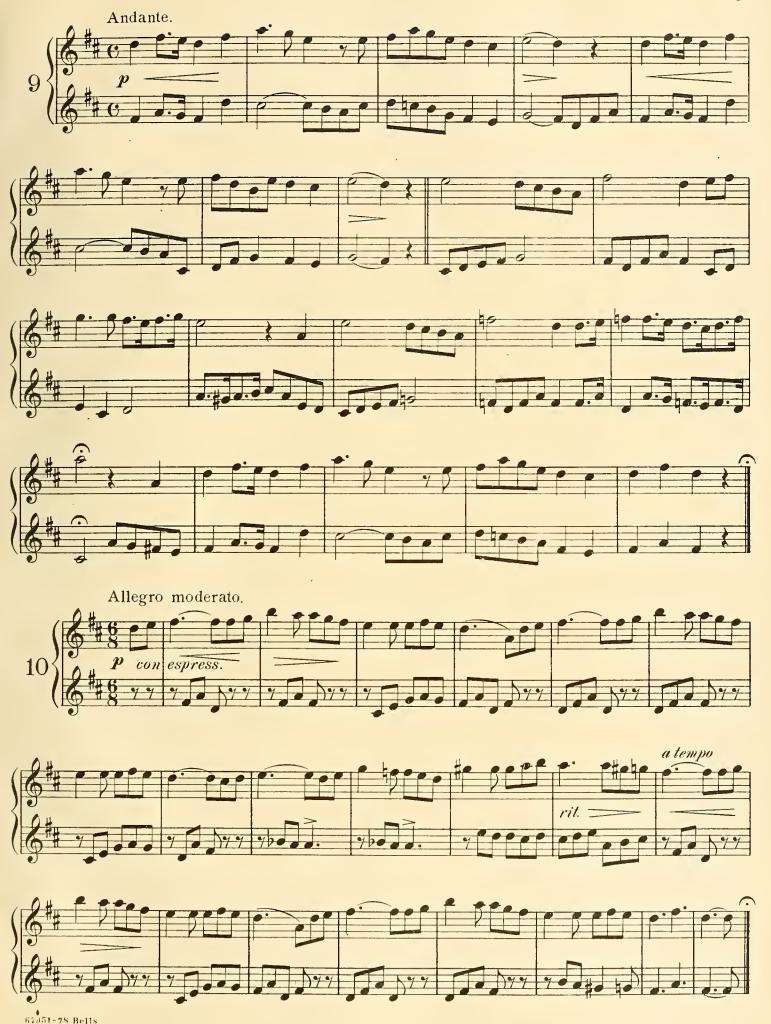
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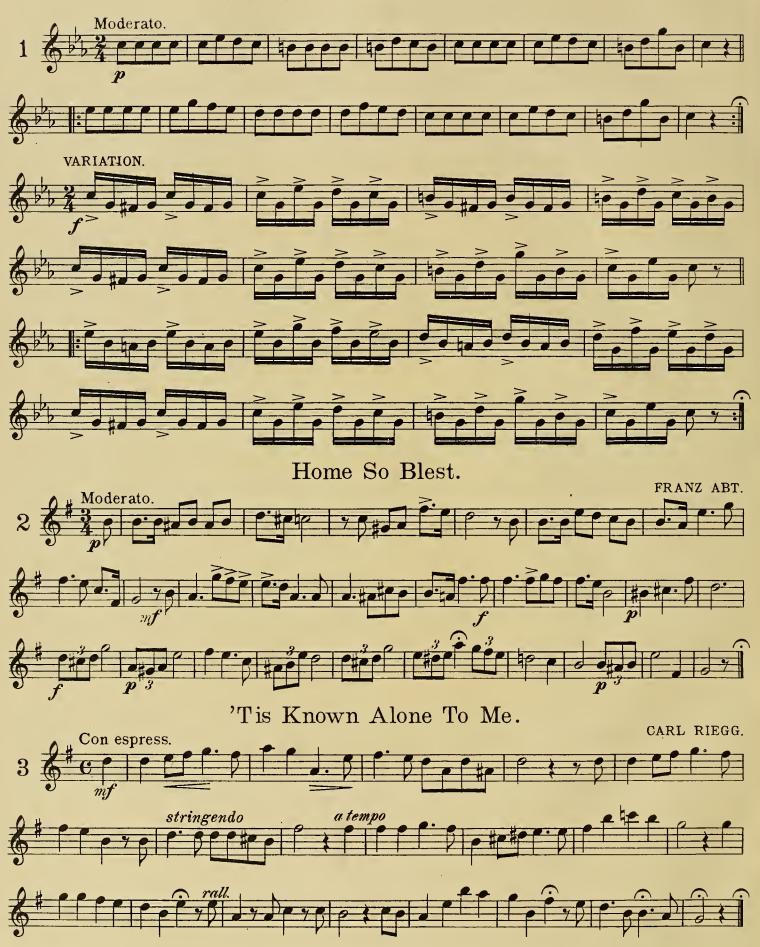


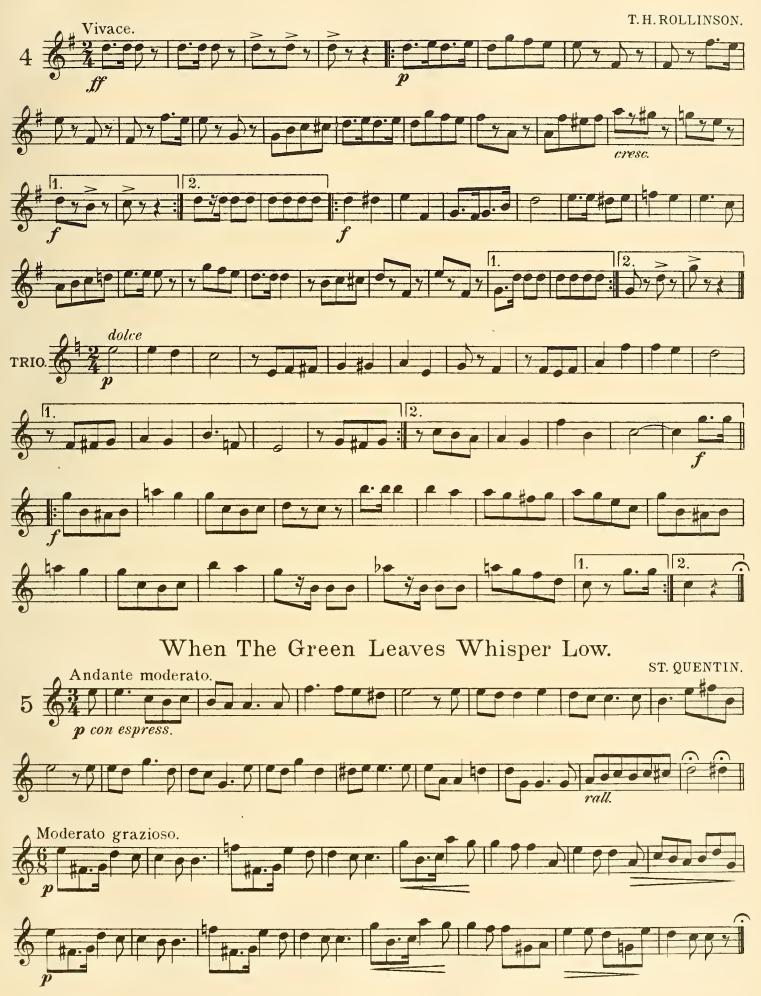




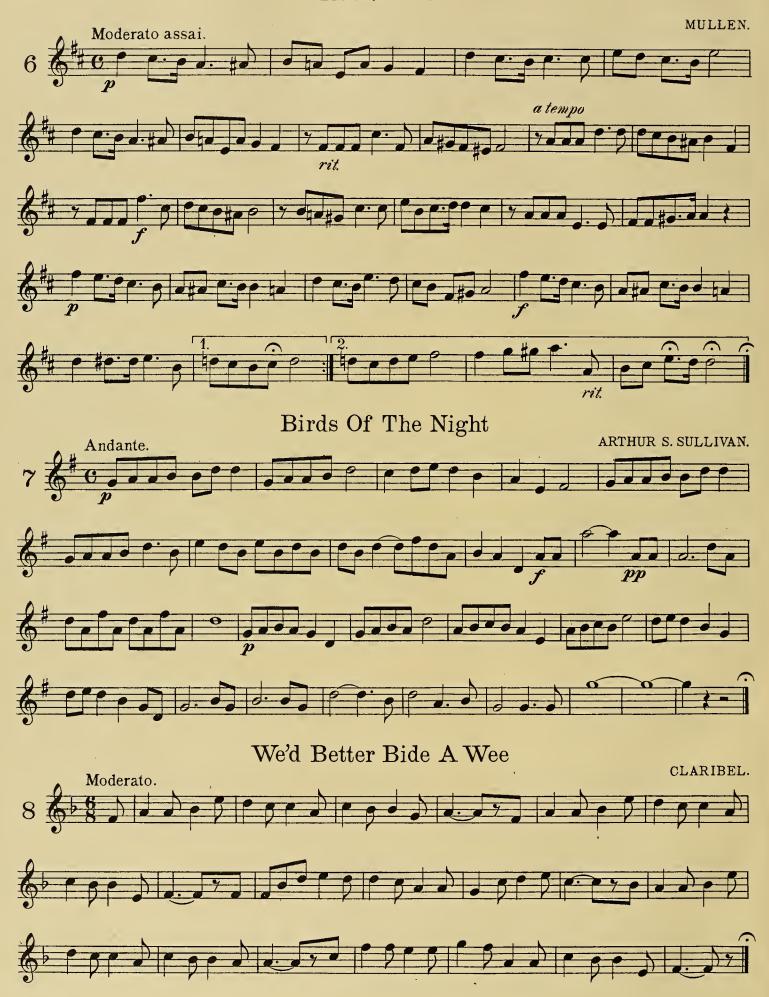


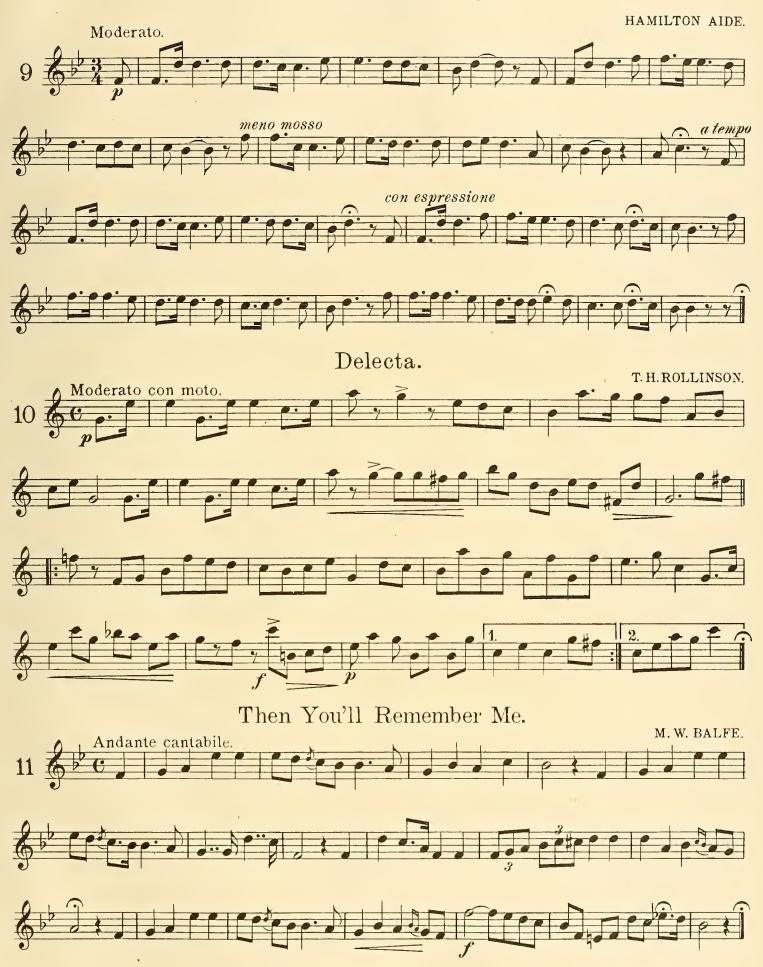
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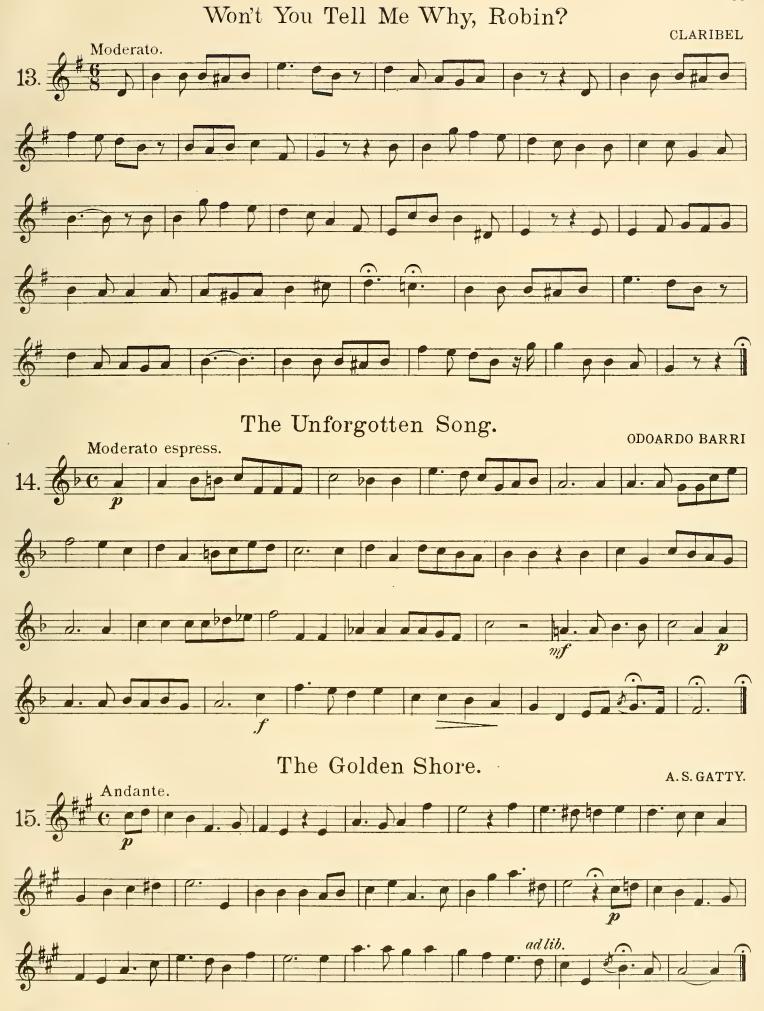


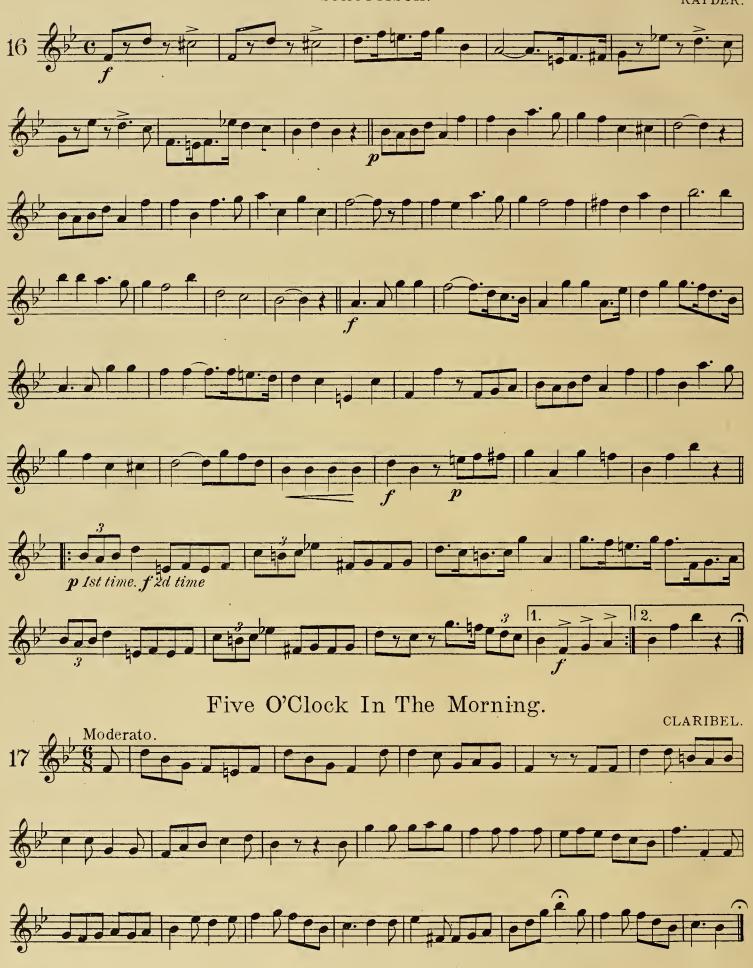
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